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EDITOR'S VIEW

I Praise God for this wonderful book. It talks about the value of sorrows in every one's life. The book has enlightened me about results after sustaining any kind of sorrow in one's life. The lives of some selected Christians has really given me the push to be brave enough to face any kind of ordeal in life. It is very essential to depend on God for everything. This book has really changed my attitude towards sorrows. The book has encouraged me to a very greater extent.

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SORROWS BEHIND SUCCESS

Sorrows

It is an experience when we lose something which we expect with eagerness.

It's also take place during the disappointments. Problem, Difficulty, Troubles

**Success: The result of achievements and the prosperity out of attempts reach
one's aims and goals.**

The fruit of the hard work like the wealth, position, honors extra...



Foreword



Everyone try their best to get success in their lives. But many will fail, some will get success. The person who got success would accomplish lots of sorrows behind that. Others will see the success of the person. But that person only knows the sorrows that he experienced in the life. This book will explain the things in detail by giving many descriptions from the scriptures, life experiences of the great men, including my personal experience.

What does the Bible says about Success?

Pleasing God and doing God's will

“We will have the success in the Pleasing God and doing God's will”

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is his good, pleasing and perfect will” - Romans 12:1-2



We have to please God through our life. Whatever we do, it must please God. Most of the people conform to the pattern of this world. We don't see any change or difference in their lives comparing to the non-Christians. In India, the dowry system is a very big problem. Dowry means, at the time of marriage alliance, the boy's

parents demand the dowry (Money, Gold and other things). That will be the really big money for the girl's parents. They borrow money and do all kind of things to make money for the dowry. These things generally take place in Hindu families. The sad part here is the Christian also does this practice including many pastors. How sad it is? They are conforming to the pattern of this world. There is no difference between them and the Hindu people. How can we call such people as the Living Sacrifice?

Coming to my family, we are four bother, our father did not entertain this dowry system in our marriages. In some occasions, he spent the money from his pocket for the marriage. Our father is the model father. We the four brothers followed this system in our families. Coming to my only and begotten son's marriage, we conducted the marriage in the grand way, ever happened in our community by spending around US\$ 50,000. We have not taken a single penny from the girl's side. Girl just came to our house with any materialistic things. God provided everything. It was the great testimony in our region. The girl's side people gave the testimony that they saw the Christ in our lives. With this kind of spirit I have also performed number of marriages in our church in the same way with small budgets.

Other thing we must do the God's will. How can we do that? We must know God personally to know His will to do in our lives. Most of the people love to live as the nominal Christians. These nominal Christians will have some kind of funny faith. If they succeeded in something, they will say, that's the God will. If suppose they failed in the same issue, they will tell that's also the God's will. Because of this kind of Christian, the God's name was mocked.

“As it is written: God's name is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you” - Romans 2:24

To know the God's will, we must abide in Him. Then only we could listen the voice of God to implement in our lives. By doing the God's will, you stand as the witness to the living God. If we go to the story of the Samaritan woman, who encounter Jesus at the well, received Him as the personal savior. Through her testimony, the whole village came to Jesus and they accepted Him as the personal savior.

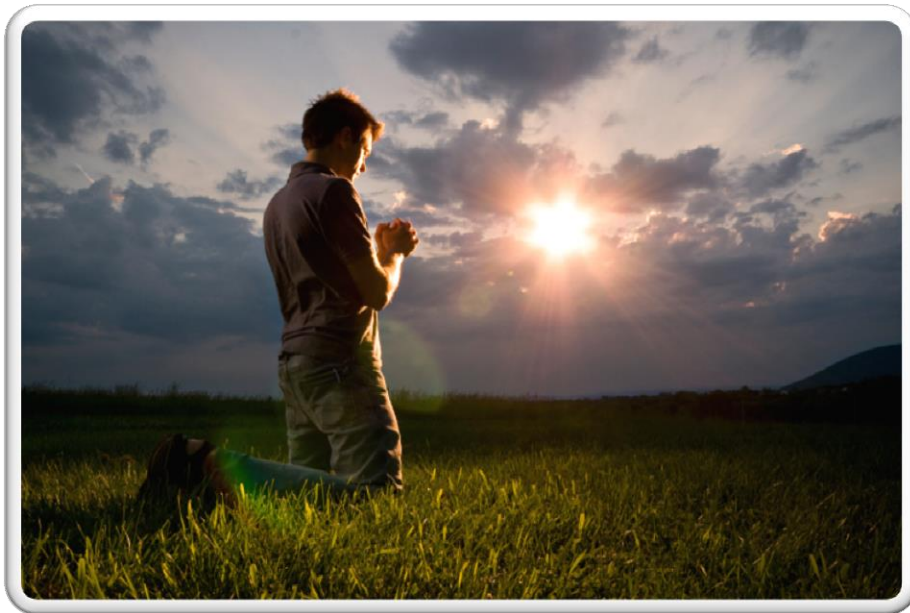
What's happening in our communities? Most of the Christians love to live like nominal Christians. The nominal Christian is worse than anybody on the face of the earth. When we have Christ in our life we are the new creation, the old things gone and everything became new. People must see the Christ in you. In my daily prayers, I do like this, Oh! God let thy light shine through me and thy power pass through me. We bound to show the love of Christ through our lives. That's what I am doing in my life. This is helping me to grow in God and the ministry also growing rapidly.



Pleasing God through our bodies

As for other matters, brothers and sisters, we instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more. For you know what instructions we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus. It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; that each of you should learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honorable, not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God" - 1

Thessalonians 4:1-5



You should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality. Our bodies are given by God. We must praise God through our bodies. Women, wine and wealth are playing the major role in someone's life to destroy. Mostly for the God's children, protection is requiring. You can win the temptations only through the power of God in the prayer. Prayer less person is the power less person. The pagans do every evil through the body, because they do not know the living God. Sometimes the God's children and the God's servants do in the same way as the pagans do. The reason was for that,

ungodliness. When you are close to God you are away from the world; when you are close to the world, you are away from the God. Why to praise God through our bodies? The sin we do with the body, we will reap the punishment for the body as well as to the spirit.

“We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad” - 2 Corinthians 5:10

I have seen many God’s servants ended up their lives in a very bad situation by being caught in the adultery. Their ministry and the things they did for God ended up with very bad testimony. That’s the reason made Paul to give this statement.

“Therefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling” - Philippians 2:12

Many God’s children and the servants were inviting the sorrows in their lives due to the lusty sickness. Every child of the God must remember the statement of Joseph.

“No one is greater in this house than I am. My master has withheld nothing from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?” - Genesis 39:9

When we have the fear of God, then we can run away from the lusty sickness which leads us to the destruction on the face of the earth and leads us to hell where we live forever and ever. Let’s us come out from the sickness of lust which leads us for the sorrows.

Every person on the earth will face this temptation unless they are eunuch. We need to become the eunuch for the sake of Gospel. There are three eunuchs on the face the earth.

“There are eunuchs, who were born that way, and there are eunuchs who have been made eunuchs by others and there are those who choose to live like eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven. The one who can accept this should accept it” - Matthew 19:12

We need to become the eunuch for the sake of the God’s works. This was not possible through our efforts. It’s possible only in the God. Through the prayer life we can live Godly life for the glory of God. It will keep us away from the sorrows.



Life is more than materialistic things

“Success is not in the materialistic things. It is beyond that”

“Godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world and we can take nothing out of it. but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many grief’s” - 1 Timothy 6:6-10

**Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said,
“I will never leave you nor forsake you” - Hebrews 13:5**

“Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions” - Luke 12:15

“Naked I came from my mother’s womb, and naked I will depart. The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised” - Job 1:21



Many God's children and the servants are running towards the materialistic things. We can call them as the nominal Christian. We can see that in the present ministries. Coming to the T.V. ministry half of the time they spend for the begging only. If that T.V. ministry was the plan of God, he will provide the required funds. God servants never begged in the history of Bible. Coming to Elisha.

"The prophet answered, "As surely as the LORD lives, which I serve, I will not accept a thing." And even though Naaman urged him, he refused" - 2 Kings 5:16



Now-a-days the healing ministry ministers making big money through God given healing. We are also watching how God dealing them. Most of such people ended their live in very bad situation.

Coming to the believers, most of the people, they give their testimonies in the churches and large meetings that the God gave every materialistic blessing like cars, houses and big money extra. They really do not know what the real blessings are. We can call them as the

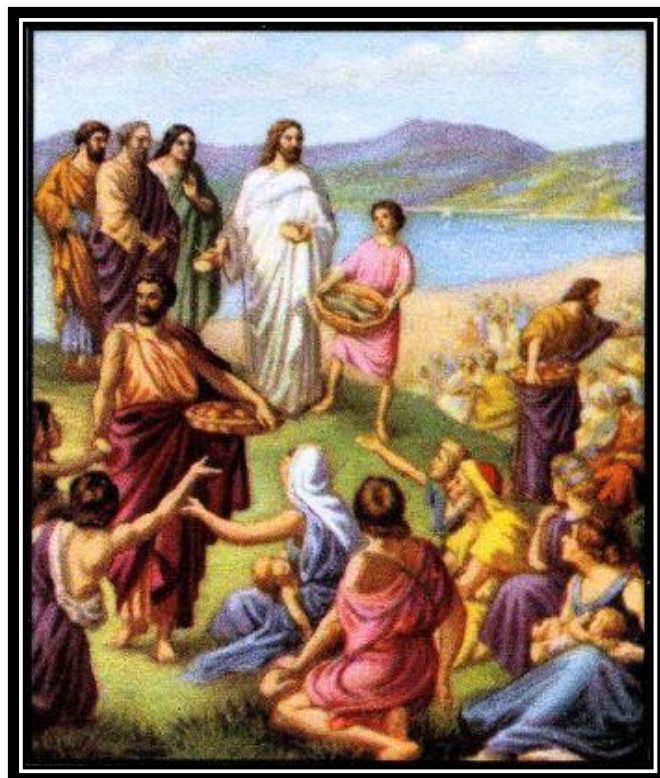
nominal Christians. The real God servants left everything and followed Jesus. We can call them as the heroes of cross.

When we go close to God, we treat this materialistic blessings are trash. Coming to the statement of David in the Psalm 73.

**“Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you” - Psalm
73:25**

Coming to my life, I left my secular job where I get the big money, for the sake of the ministry. I have never tried to build my kingdoms on the face of earth. Here in our area, ministry means to have the big campus with Bible colleges, orphanage, widow house and the secular school. In other words they made Jesus as the social Jesus. Jesus said the poor always with you.

**“The poor you will always have with you, but you will not always have me” - Matthew
26:11**



Word of God was very clear to seek the kingdom of God

“Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well” - Matthew 6:33



When we seek His kingdom, He will provide all our needs. At one stage in my life, I was with the debts of around five lakhs. That was the situation to me to sell the one and only house I had. My relatives who are having the fake love on us, advised to sell the house. That was the house which I purchased with the money I got from the Ship Yard where I worked before coming to the ministry. I felt in my heart the house is not important to me then Jesus. I sold many things for the sake of ministry. This may become one among them. The fake well-wishers were watching to mock us by seeing

happening things. The great God provided all the money I require to keep the house for our stay. Never in my life, I prayed for my needs. God is providing whatever I need. I have never seen towards the materialistic things. The God servants struggled and strived for their existence to do the God work. For them this world is not worthy. If we love the world, we cannot love the God. When we turned our sight towards the materialistic, there we are opening the doors for the sorrows. Success is only in Jesus. Through Jesus we can do anything.



God pleases to meet our needs

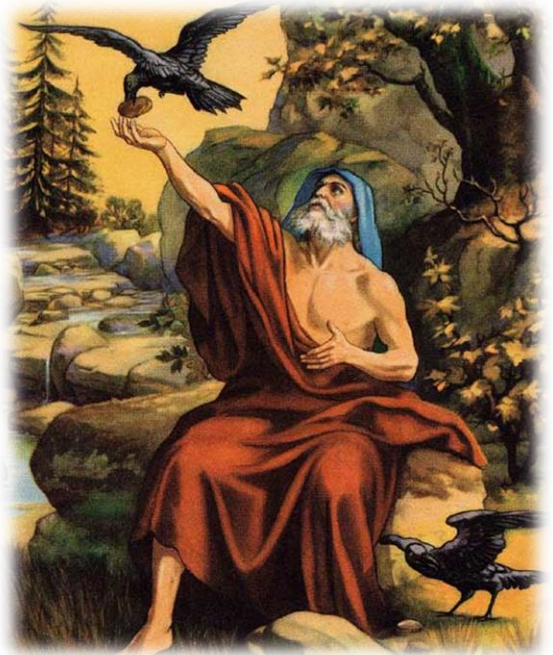
“God provide all of our needs both spiritual and physical to have the success”

“Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all” - Matthew 6:31-32

“In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full” - John 16:23-24

Our God is the God of compassion. He pleases to help His children. If we go through the Bible history, he fed His children and protected them from every trouble's they faced in their lives. He provides our needs to keep our lives success.

Coming to my personal life, God never left me in any time. As the matter of fact I do not pray for my needs, God gave me the heart to pray for the ministry and to the needs of the people. I was the neglected person through my life. There was the movement in my life that one of my American friend told in front of my church congregation, that I was in the season of blessings. Sometimes I don't understand why God provides all my needs with our asking. When God gives something to someone, he will give the best. God gave every mighty blessing to me with His own willingness. I personally learned that God meet our needs to keep our life successful.



Spiritual Growth

“For this reason also, since the day we heard this, we haven’t stopped praying for you. We are asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding, so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him, bearing fruit in every good work and growing in the knowledge of God. May you be strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for all endurance and patience, with joy giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the saint’s inheritance in the light. He has rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son He loves. We have redemption, the forgiveness of sins, in Him” - Colossians 1:9-

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Spiritual growth is the secret of the success in the life.

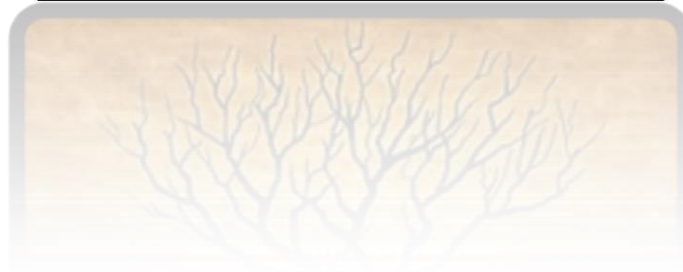
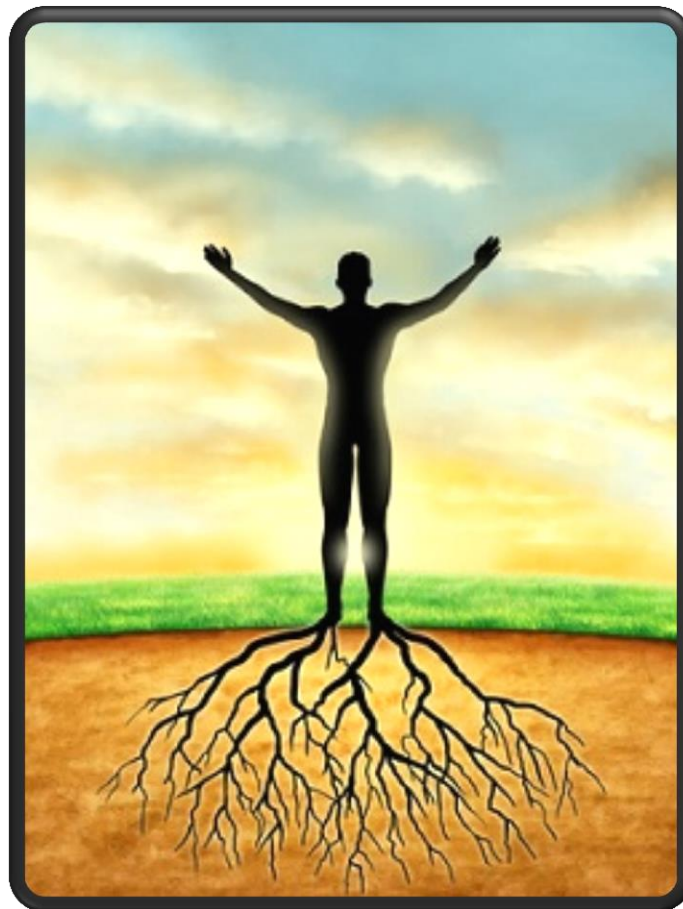
Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well” - 3 John 2

When we are growing in the spirit, which was the evidence that we are growing in all aspects. That will leads us to the success in the life.

Coming to my life, I was always eager to grow in the spirit. I spent much time in the prayers and in the meditation of the word of God in every situation. I can definitely say that the prayer life only making me to stand in my life. When the troubles come on me, I immediately increase the payers.

“Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you” - 1 Peter 5:7

When we give all our worries to God, then He cares about us. Lot of people gets worried with in themselves to invite the blood pressure and the flowing mental and physical sickness. When we cast all of our troubles on God, He makes us free from them gives the successful life.



Our everlasting Success is in God

“God wants us to have to have the everlasting Success”

“Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own” - Matthew 6:33-34

Some people have the fast growth and fast fall. There was a saying that anything grows fast, will also fall fast. Slow and steady wins the race. I know one pastor who reached the peaks of the success. Had his own 747 bowing flight, he became like unbeatable. Very soon he falls down, due to his proud. We can see that though the life of Uzziah.



“After Uzziah became powerful, his pride led to his downfall. He was unfaithful to the LORD his God, and entered the temple of the LORD to burn incense on the altar of incense” - 2 Chronicles 26:16

The success through the God is the everlasting. The person in the God will stands till the end with the successful life. When we glorify the God through our success, God leases and keep our success till the end. Glory and the honor must go to god all times. It makes someone to stand as the everlasting success person.

Pray diligently with hard work

“Our keen prayers and the hard work bring the success”

“Now the man Jeroboam was a valiant warrior, and when Solomon saw that the young man was industrious, he appointed him over all the forced labor of the house of Joseph” - 1

Kings 11:28

“Take pains with these things; be absorbed in them, so that your progress will be evident to all. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; persevere in these things, for as you do this you will ensure salvation both for yourself and for those who hear you” - 1

Timothy 4:15-16

“Pray diligently. Stay alert, with your eyes wide open in gratitude. Don't forget to pray for us, that God will open doors for telling the mystery of Christ, even while I'm locked up in this jail. Pray that every time I open my mouth I'll be able to make Christ plain as day to them. Use your heads as you live and work among outsiders. Don't miss a trick. Make the most of every opportunity. Be gracious in your speech. The goal is to bring out the best in others in a conversation, not put them down, not cut them out” -

Colossians 4:2– 6

Prayer less person is the powerless person. Prayer only makes some to stand. Jesus was taught this lesson to the disciples, at garden of Gethsemane on the last night.

“Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak” - Matthew 26:41



Lot of people have fallen due to the lack of prayer life. When we pray diligently, we will be protected from every evil attack. When we kneel down to pray, Satan will tremble.

Prayer needs the hard work. Prayer carries the hard work.

Coming to my personal life, I do the hard work the prayers. Get-up in the early morning at 4:00am make myself ready for the prayers. Walk around and drink the good amount of water to make myself one hundred percent awake and be alert to pray diligently to God. I keep all of body on knees for long time they became hardened due to the prayers. After finishing the kneel down prayers, I go to the third floor Terrace, pray there for a while, in front of the picture of Jesus which was kept there. Then I go the roof garden with my pet dogs. They play on the carpet grass and do their nature works. During that time I stood myself, by seeing the nature I pray to God. I pray for everything including the plants and the grass God gave us on the Terrace. What all I want to say here, continues of the prayers from 4:30am to 6:30am. That prayer makes me very delight in the God. The diligent Prayer with hard work making me to go towards the success in my life.

Stand still to determine the works

“Don’t Give Up. Stand still to see the great works of God for your success”

“Moses answered the people, "Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again” -

Exodus 14:13

“Stand still and see this great thing the LORD is about to do before your eyes” - 1 Samuel

12:16

“Pay attention to this, Job! Stand still, and consider the wondrous attributes of God” - Job 37:14

We should to stand still to determine the works of God. Lot of people starts the work and stop at the middle for their mocking.

“Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, saying, 'This person began to build and wasn't able to finish” - Luke 14:28 – 30



If you don't stand still with determine to finish the works, you will not see the success in the life. Whatever the work God has given to your hands, you need to finish the work successfully. The success of the finishing works was possible in the God only. Scriptures says finish the work is success.

“Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything” - James 1:4

Coming to my life, God gave me the spirit to stand still to determine the works. When I start some work, I don't care to eat or do any other thing. I can say that I don't sleep till the work finish. I do hard work to reach the goal and others to do the same with me. This spirit was led me to reach the higher places in my life. Stand still to determine the works will lead us to the success in the life.



Cheerful giver never lose

“Giving is the secret of the success. Givers never lack”

“The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver” - 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

“Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you” - Luke 6:38

“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it” - Malachi 3:10



I strongly believe that “Give you will Get” we need to give everything to God. Some people think we need to give the tithes only. If someone is giving the tithe, you are not doing anything extra. If you gave more than the tithe, I know some people they keep the tithe for themselves and give to the other nine portions to God.

Coming to our lives, we spent all the money to the God’s works. As the family, we don’t buy the cloths for us, even in the festival season. Our church members use to give the cloths in rare times. Our commitment to give everything to God, that’s not only money, but our time and everything. In other words we can say that we are living for God alone. That made us to see the success in the ministry. We have the raped growth in the ministry. We believe that the living church is the growing church.

Our Cheerful giving leads us to reach the top edges of the success in the life. So let us give our time, money and body to God to reach the edges of the success in the life.



Serve the God with submissiveness

“When we are submissive to God, then we will see the success in the life”

“You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. In it you shall do no work: you, or your son, or your daughter, or your male servant, or your female servant, or your cattle, or your stranger who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it” - Exodus 20:3-11

“If they obey and serve him, they will spend the rest of their days in prosperity and their years in contentment” - Job 36:11



Submissiveness is very important in serving God. We are serving the God of creator who is ruling the Heaven and Earth. Comparing our lives with we are nothing in any means. In these days we don't find the submissiveness among the God's children and the servants. When the great God decided to come to the face of earth in the form of human body, He chose the humble way of life.

“Emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross” - Philippians 2:7-8

Christ Jesus taught everything to the disciples and to the mankind to imitate him. In these days we don't see the Submissiveness in the families and in the church also. Coming to the God servants they are posing more than the God. They are demanding thousands of dollars for their sermons. In my visiting's to the America, one of the speakers who was an Indian settled in America, demanded US\$50,000 for three days meetings. I really do not know how much he paid for his salvation to Jesus. Sculptures are very clear that you got it free and give it free.

“Heal the sick, raise the dead, and cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give. Do not get any gold or silver or copper to take with you in your belts no bag for the journey or extra shirt or sandals or a staff, for the worker is worth his keep” - Matthew 10:8-10

Every human must know we are just nothing; God called us and made us something. It doesn't mean we are the great. Any time glory and honor must go to God. Children of God and the servants of God must be submissive to fulfill the mission of God.

Coming to our ministry, till today we are not having the permanent church building. The congregation had grown up to five thousand from fifteen. We do the wider ministry with the faith. We strongly believe that God will provide all the needs according to His mercy. God make the ways and provide the needs of His children. Who fed the Israelites for forty years in the wilderness? It is God who provides our needs. The only thing we must be submissive to Him, then He guides and leads you to make things success in our lives.



Commit your ways to the God

“When depend on God for everything, and then He will guide us in all our paths”

“Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and he will establish your plans” -Proverbs 16:3

“Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this: He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn, your vindication like the noonday sun”-Psalm 37:5-6

“I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future” - Jeremiah 29:11



We need to commit our ways to God to see the success in the lives. The problem with the human was that they make their plans on their own and ask God to grant them as it was. That's the reason they were not received anything from God. Some people disappointed in their lives and left the God for their failures. They blame God for their failures. Everyone must remember one thing, God's will be done.

“Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven” - Matthew 6:10

We can do nothing with our plans and projects. God's will be only taking place on the earth and in the heaven.

Coming to my life, I thought to become like the great speakers of the world after my education. God told me to work among the poor people. In my visits to America, I got the opportunity to work with American church and the Bible colleges, where I get big salaries with the facilities. There and then I told them, that God called to work among the poor people. Some of my well-wishers also advised me to work with the Bible colleges or with the large church where they need the highly educated person. I told everyone that god called me to work with the poor people. Money making is not my ministry. I always believe one thing. We brought nothing to the face of earth takes nothing.

“Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I will depart. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away; may the name of the LORD be praised” - Job 1:21

My message to very God's child and the servants, please commit your ways to God and do whatever He told, then you will see the success in your life.

Remember mainstay all times

“Always remember who is your provider all times, there you will see the success”

“Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come and the years approach when you will say, "I find no pleasure in them" - Ecclesiastes 12:1

“Remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today” -

Deuteronomy 8:18

We must remember the mainstay all times. Many people were forgetting for what they were called. Lot of God's children and the servants left the mainstay and doing their own ministries to lease themselves make things out of the for their personal benefits. Paul made a statement by guessing at this kind of things.



**“I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified” - 1
Corinthians 2:2**

St. Paul dedicated himself to the God and to His works. In these days the children and the servants of God are diverting them to the worldly ways by leaving the living God. To see the success in our lives we need keep the mainstay.

Abide in God

“Life with God will lead us to the success”

“Thanks be to God, who always leads us as captives in Christ's triumphal procession and uses us to spread the aroma of the knowledge Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing f him everywhere” - 2

Corinthians 2:14

“Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing” - John 15:5

“If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you” John 15:7

To see the success in our lives, we need to abide in Christ. Jesus himself thought us during His stay on the face on the earth to abide in Him. We do nothing by leaving Him.

“I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.

I can do all things through him who strengthens me” - Philippians 4:12-13

We can say anything through Jesus Christ. For this we need to abide in Him all times.



Coming to my life, I was the neglected person all of my life time. I cannot please people. **C**When you don't please people, you need to face the troubles from them. I had plenty of experiences like that. One fine day my wife questioned me, if go on like this, how can we survive in this world. In other way she is advising me to compromise with the people. I was in the great dilemma, what to do? I prayed a lot with tears. God revealed me not to change your ways of life, I am well pleased with you. Go like that, Time will do things. God made me so strong in the spirit and using me in the great way for His glory. I don't see anybody in front of me other than Jesus all times. I can tell with own experience that we will be success in our lives when we abide in Jesus Christ the Lord and the God.



Obedience and faith

“Obedience with faith leads you to success”

“Be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success” - Joshua 1:7-8

“So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Harran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there. Abram traveled through the land as far as the site of the great tree of Moreh at Shechem. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. The Lord appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built an altar there to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he went on toward the hills east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he built an altar to the Lord and called on the name of the Lord. Then Abram set out and continued toward the Negev” - Genesis 12:4-9



In these days we don't find the obedience. Wives are not obeying to the husbands, children are not obeying the parents, and congregation is not obeying the Pastor. When wife is not obeying the husband, she cannot obey to God. Same way the disobedience children cannot obey the God. Church is the reflection of the heaven. If the congregation disobeys the Pastor, they cannot obey to God. In some denominations, the elders rule the church. There they call the Pastor as the paid employ. It was really sad part. Many churches are doing the worship with our Jesus in their church.

In one of the whites church great sing was going on. A little boy who belongs to the backs community was passing by that way, and listened the singing of Christ Jesus. He knows those songs well, and he thought to go into the church. When he attempted that, security guards did not allowed that boy inside. Then that boy was crying and stood beside the church wall and listing the singing. One old man came close to him and asked the boy what happened? Boy explained what happened to him. Then that old man told him, they are singing my songs only, they did not allowed me to come inside, how can they allow you? After those words that old man was disappeared. Then the boy came to know that was Jesus.

Through the obedience only we can please God. That obedience with faith leads us to the success in the life.

Coming to my life, I have obeyed to God with faith in all means. There was no other way for then that. My obedience to God led me to the success in my life for His glory.

Trust God with submissiveness

“When we trust in God with submissiveness, there you will see the success”

“Obey your earthly masters with respect and fear, and with sincerity of heart, just as you would obey Christ. Obey them not only to win their favor when their eye is on you, but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from your heart. Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people, because you know that the Lord will reward each one for whatever good they do, whether they are slave or free” - Ephesians 6:5-8

Acts 4:18-20

“So they called them and charged them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered them, “Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you rather than to God, you must judge, for we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard” - Acts 4:18-20



When we Trust God in God with submissiveness, then we will see the great works of God in our lives. Trust leads for the great levels in the life. Submissiveness leads to the obedience to God. Abraham trusted in God and submitted himself to Him. That made him sees the wonderful works of God in his life. Isaac was the fruit of his trust in God. Blessings are the fruits of his submissiveness.

Coming to my life, I was trusted in the God with all my spirit. That made me to see the great works of God in my life. When we come to god, we must have the trust in him.

“Without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him” - Hebrews 11:6

My trust and the submissiveness in the God made me success in the life for His glory.



Hard Work

“Hard work will leads to the success” “No pain; No gain”

“All hard work brings a profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty” -Proverbs 14:23

“Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goes” - Ecclesiastes 9:10

“Even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: The one who is unwilling to work shall not eat. We hear that some among you are idle and disruptive. They are not busy; they are busybodies. Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the food they eat” - 2 Thessalonians 3:10-12



here was a saying in the America, no work no food. What I liked in America was, **T**every men will work, even the old people work. Our father thought us about the hard work, through his life. He started his carrier with humble way. Then joined as an ordinary worker's in the Hindustan ship Yard and became the Senior Engineer there.

We all the children of him did very hard work to come up in our lives. We the four brothers and one sister reached the highest places in our life with the hard work. We are all thankful to our father for every teaching. He made us to sit around him and telling the stories which helps us to do hard work in our lives. He told us the story of a lion. A lion will not eat the grass when it was hungry. It will wait even for three days, hunt itself and eat before the blood before get harder.

Our father teaches were very close to the Bible. Those teachings made us to work hard in the lives to reach the high peaks in the life. The secret behind our success was the hard work.



Wisdom is the foundation of Success

“Wisdom gives you the knowledge, honor and the success”

“For the Lord Gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding. He holds success in store for the upright, he is a shield to those whose walk is blameless” -

Proverbs 2:6-7

“Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life: You should mind your own business and work with your hands, just as we told you, 12 so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody” - 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12



Wisdom is the important thing in somebodies life. Lot of people was living without wisdom. The man without wisdom feels himself that he was the wise man. That was the character of the fool. Wise man thinks himself he was the fool. He admits himself that he don't know anything.

Socrates was the founder of the western philosophy. Give you some quotes of him.

“I know that I am intelligent, because I know that I know nothing”

“By all means marry: if you get a good wife, you’ll become happy; if you get a bad one, you’ll become a philosopher”

“I cannot teach anybody anything; I can only make them think”

When everyone admiring the wisdom of Socrates, one fine day he met the emperor and told him that he found a fool in the Greece. The emperor was curious about to know what he is going to say on that. He asked him who was that person. Then immediately Socrates said that was me. The emperor was astonished for that statement and came down from his throne fell on his feet. If you are admitting yourself that were the fool, where the people stand? This was the knowledge of the world.

Coming to the wisdom, it comes from God. God is the wisdom. We need wisdom to survive our lives on the face of the earth. Without wisdom we cannot do the works of god. If anybody lack of wisdom, he must ask god.

“If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you” - James 1:5

Many God’s children and the servants are failing in their lives and ministry due to the lack of wisdom.

Wisdom is the foundation of Success. In my life, my parents and the family members are in thinking that I was the person with our wisdom. In other words they use to treat me like fool. As they are my own people, I took their opinion regarding me. When I came to know that I was fool, came to Jesus for the wisdom. I can say he great God gave me the wisdom to see the success in my life.

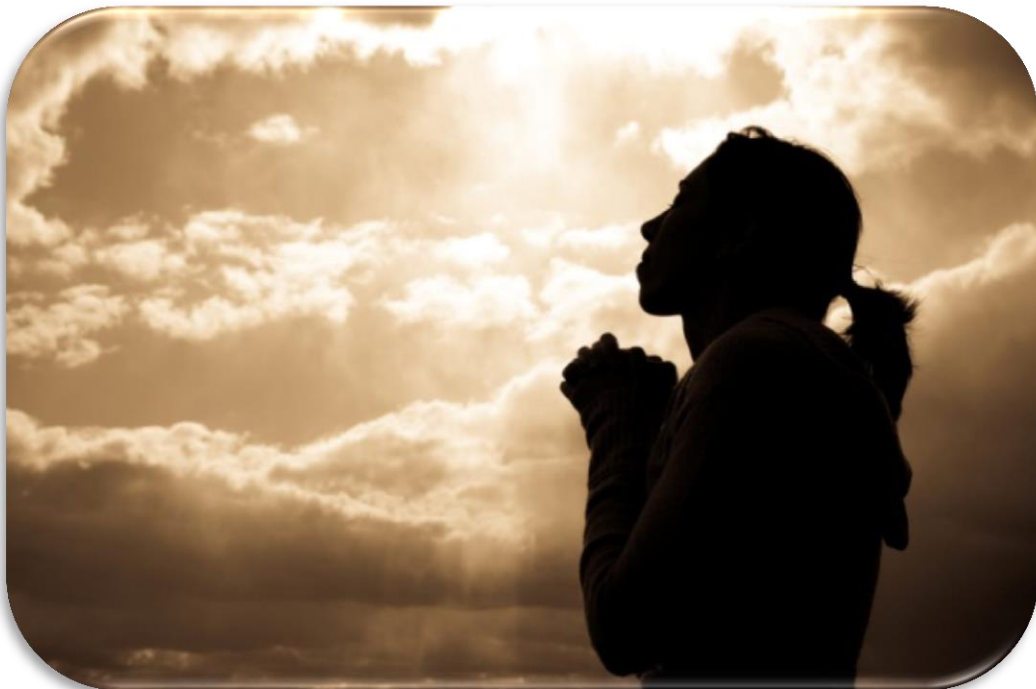
Continues Prayers leads for Success

“This I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, 10 that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, 11 being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God” - Philippians 1:9-

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“Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your loving-kindness; According to the multitude of your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions, And my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done this evil in Your sight That You may be found just when You speak, And blameless when You judge. Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me. Behold, you desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me hear joy and gladness, that the bones You have broken may rejoice” -

Psalm 51:1-8



Lot of people start their pray life so deep and gradually will become weak. When the troubles come, they pray very hard. When situation in control, they stop the prayers again. I was happened to meet one of our relative ladies; I asked her you are praying daily? She said openly, I stopped praying since six years. I asked her why? She told me, that she prayed six years back for her marriage, she got it. And also prayed for children, she got two children. Then she said I have nothing to ask God. That was reason not praying now. She thought that prayer is only for begging from God. Many people have this of spirit. For them prayer means to beg the God for their needs.

Coming to my life, I have learned the prayer life from my mother. She uses to get up in the early hours for the prayers. What I have learned from my mother, I am continuing that prayer life till today. Get up in the early morning by 4:30am for the prayers. When I face the troubles, I will increase the prayers. I can tell out of my life experience that continues prayers only bringing the success.



Walking in Success

Psalm 1:1-3 “Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.”



If you are not walking with the counsel or advice of the wicked nor standing in the way of sinners or the way that sinners are going and are also not sitting in the seat of scoffers which means they scoff at God, then God will bless you. To be blessed means to literally “make happy.” Your delight will naturally be in God’s law and you will meditate day or night (all the time) and this means that like a tree planted by a stream of water, you will never wither or die but will always produce godly fruit and everything you do will prosper.

Walking in the success is very important. Lot of people failed here. They give lot of pains for the success. Once they reached to their success, then the real problem starts. That was the proud. Proud come before the fall.

“Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall” - Proverbs 16:18

We need to give the same pains, which we gave to the success to keep ourselves to stand firmly after reaching the goals. I have seen many people who were failed in their lives after reaching the destiny. When the pride came to someone’s life, the fall starts.

When God blessed Saul as the king, he was unable to walk in that success.

We can see Saul's Disobedience in the book of 1 Samuel 13. There we will see how the Soul was removed from his position by the God.

Reaching the goals and aims are one part. Keep on walk in the success is the real part in someone’s lives.

Reading and Writing Success

“This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success” - Joshua 1:8

“My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments, for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you. Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsakes you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man. What God is saying here is to take the Word of God and write the words onto the tablet of our heart. The heart, in the Jewish language, was the seat of intellect. In other words, memorize some of the Bible. If you do this you will have “length of days and years of life” and you will find favor and good success.” What more could a man or woman want?” - Proverbs 3:1-4



If the Book of the Law, the Bible, doesn't cease from being spoken and read by you and again, as in Psalm 1:1 - 3, you are meditating on it, and you're careful to observe what it says, you'll be prosperous and have success, as far as God defines success. And the

way God defines success is the only definition that counts. Take the Word of God and write the words onto the tablet of our heart. Take the Word of God and write the words onto the tablet of our heart.

You must read the word of God which leads you for the success in the life. As the scriptures says, man lives by thy word.

“Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God” - Matthew 4:4

to have the better life we must make it as the habit to read the word of God. Psalmist said that you will have greenery life through your lie days.

“Whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night.

That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season

and whose leaf does not wither whatever they do prospers” – Psalm 1:2 – 3

Reading the word of God every leads us to the better live to do the will of God in our lives which makes us the success.

After reading you need to write the word of God in your heart. Psalmist said that he kept the word of God in the heart not do the sin.

“I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you” - Psalm 119:11

Through the reading of God’s word, we will have the guidance to live. In other words, God speak to us through His word. Prayer means talking to God. After receiving the word of God, we need to write that in our hearts to continue the successful life.

Prayer of Success

Nehemiah 1:11 “O Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of your servant, and to the prayer of your servants who delight to fear your name, and give success to your servant today, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man. Now I was cupbearer to the king.”



Success is more readily achieved if you are in prayer as Nehemiah was and God used Nehemiah to rebuild the city of Jerusalem. Nehemiah's humility is evident as he said that he was God's servant and feared (or respected or revered) God's name which assured him of success...even in the sight of a pagan king.

There are many assurance words in the Bible for the prayers. Jesus taught to the disciples the prayer, not the preaching. Disciples were unable to heal certain people, when they asked Jesus why we were unable to do that. Prayer changes the things.

Coming to my life the secret of my success in life was Prayer. I believe no prayer; no power. I have nobody to help me on the face of earth. The ministry we are doing is wide. We have many needs for the ministry. We need to pray for every need every day. Besides the needs, there were many problems through the people. Satan uses the people to create the problems all times. As for myself, see the success in prayers all time. That's making to stand strong for the God.

Blameless Success

**“He holds success in store for the upright, he is a shield to those whose walk is blameless” -
Proverbs 2:7**

Notice that success and walking blamelessly are tied together. James said that we cannot be near to God in prayer unless we have clean hands and a pure heart - James 4:8.



This is why success comes to those who are blameless. Keep short accounts with the Lord by confessing your sins daily.

Some people will do anything for the success in the life. Your success must be the blameless. We must do the right things in the right ways. I have seen many people who adopted the wrong ways to get the success in their lives. The final result of their life was the failure and the disappointment.

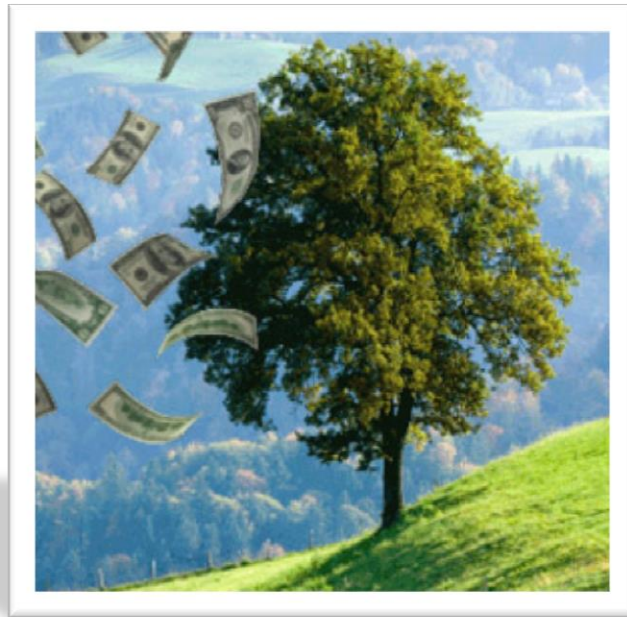
I know one woman who believes in her ability and the actions. She left the husband when he was in the hospital in the unconscious, admitted as the un-known person. She found him through some others. The great mistake she did in her life was, let him there alone and gone with another man. She was succeeded in her evil paths. She made good money through that another man. At one final day she lost her one and only grownup son all of sudden. Enter into the troubles in all means. She did things for the success in the life, but that was the success with blames. The result was bad.

We should not adopt the shortcuts in the life to get success. Shortcuts make the life shot. Success in the life is an important thing, but it must be the blameless success.



Prosperity

“The Lord, before whom I have walked, will send his angel with you and prosper your way. You shall take a wife for my son from my clan and from my father’s house” - Genesis 24:40



When Abraham’s servant went to find a wife for Isaac, the Lord promised success and success he found. He didn’t have to look long because Isaac took one look at Rebekah and knew she was the woman. He loved her at first. Why? It was because Abraham had been walking before the Lord and promised prosperity in his seeking a godly wife for his son Isaac.

Prosperity in the life is an important thing. The word of God said to show your prosperity to the people.

“Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress” -1 Timothy 4:15

“No one from the east or the west or from the desert can exalt themselves. It is God who judges: He brings one down, he exalts another” - Psalm 75:6-7

Prosperity comes through the God. We need to keep His commandments. Keep his teaches in our life. Keep the godly life. it will helps you to prosper in the life. When you grow in the spirit the prosperity comes automatically.

“Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prosperity” - 3 John 1:2

Coming to my life, I never looked towards the materialistic prosperity. I always practiced the spiritual growth. That made me to prosper in my life. I believe that the prosperity come though the God.



Waiting for Success

**“And David had success in all his undertakings, for the Lord was with him” - 1 Samuel
18:14**

David’s success and our success are only possible if the Lord is with us and the Lord was with David for he often had the chance to overtake and kill the evil King Saul.

Even though God had already established David as king of Israel, David waited on the Lord to establish his rule. David knew that God had originally anointed King Saul but refused to kill Saul because he was the Lord’s anointed and waited patiently (some say 10 years!) for God to set things right. That’s one of the reasons that David had success “in all his undertakings”

Prosperity will not come over night. We need to wait for the right time. There is a saying “Rome cannot build in a day” it says that the Rome took lot of time for the construction. Sometimes we think there is no life for us. The saying “slow and steady wins the race”

Coming to my life, I took lot of time to get success in my life. I faced many sorrowful experiences in the life. There were moments in my life to end up by committing the suicide. I have experienced such a bitter experiences and Struggling for the existence. All time God was with me and teaching to my heart to wait and see the works of God.

**“Moses answered the people, "Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again” -
Exodus 14:13**

“Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who acts on behalf of those who wait for him” - Isaiah 64:4

“If we hope for that which we see not, then do we with patience wait for it” -Romans 8:25

Through these scriptures I was encouraged a lot and waited and waited in the Lord for the success in my life and got it.

Honor for Success

“Humility is the fear of the LORD; its wages are riches and honor and life” - Proverbs 22:4

“The Lord was with Joseph, and he was a successful man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. And his master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord made all he did to prosper in his hand. So Joseph found favor in his sight, and served him. Then he made him overseer of his house, and that entire he had he put under his authority.

So it was, from the time that he had made him overseer of his house and all that he had, that the Lord blessed the Egyptian’s house for Joseph’s sake; and the blessing of the Lord was on all that he had in the house and in the field. Thus he left all that he had in Joseph’s hand, and he did not know what he had except for the bread which he ate” - Genesis 39:2-6



In my life I have gone through many troubles. There were the times that my blood relations were not accepted me as the Pastor. They use to through all kinds of evil comments on me. They tried their best to stop our church through their evil attacks. One side to run the church, other side their evil attacks. I cannot explain those situations. In all those evil attacks, we stood for the Jesus, through the power of the Holy Ghost. God opened many doors for us to stand in the ministry. God rescued from every problem. God provided the need of the ministry including the family. God protected us from every evil attacks. Ministry grown in the ways, the children ministry (we have thousand children), women ministry, village ministry. Besides the ministry God gave me the good house and wealth with good health. By seeing the success in our lives, the same people who attacked us and used all kinds of evil things on us, started to honor us. I have seen the works of God in our lives. God gave the honor where we were dishonored. Almighty God honors His children in all means. What all we have to do is to give the glory and honor to Him all times.

Our success will bring honor for us. Through our honor, we must honor God, through that we live for Him the successful life.



Blessings of Success

“The Lord your God has blessed you in all the work of your hands. He knows you’re going through this great wilderness. These forty years the Lord your God has been with you. You have lacked nothing” - Deuteronomy 2:7



Notice that they “lacked nothing” and God had “blessed the work of [their] hands.” That was possible only because the Lord was with them. If we are disobedient, the Lord will not be with us and that means that we will not receive the blessings and we will lack many things. These are related. Obedience and blessings are what we call godly success.

“Then the Spirit clothed Amasai, chief of the thirty, and he said, “We are yours, O David, and with you, O son of Jesse! Peace, peace to you, and peace to your helpers! For your God helps you. ”Then David received them and made them officers of his troops” -1 Chronicles 12:18

David received much needed help because David had been pleasing God so when we are pleasing God you can be sure we will be blessed. Success sometimes comes in the form of other people helping us but only if we are obedient to the Lord.

“And keep the charge of the Lord your God, walking in his ways and keeping his statutes, his commandments, his rules, and his testimonies, as it is written in the Law of Moses, that you may prosper in all that you do and wherever you turn” - 1 Kings 2:4

If our children don't do what we ask them, refuse to obey, don't keep any of the household rules and disobey what the parents tell them, do you honestly think that the parents will still bless them or even pay them an allowance? Not going to happen. If anyone keeps God's laws, like striving to obey the Ten Commandments, and we walk in the ways of the Lord, He promises that "you will prosper in all that you do and wherever you turn." When we turn this corner or go that way, if we are obedient, He is going to prosper us. This does not always mean financially but perhaps with health, with a job, in relationships or whatever we do.

"And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth" - Genesis 1:28

God blessed both Adam and Eve but this blessing was taken away when they disobeyed God and the earth was cursed. Blessings and cursing are always tied to obedience or disobedience. If you obey you choose blessings but if you choose to disobey you choose to suffer for it.

Success brings the blessings. Success comes through the God. The fear of the Lord brings the blessings.

"Praise the LORD. Blessed are those who fear the LORD, who find great delight in his commands" - Psalm 112:1

God blessed me through the success in the house, in the city, in the country and in the world for His glory.

Acknowledgment for Success

“In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths” - Proverbs 3:6

When God straightens your paths that are true success, this success is tied to acknowledging God for all of His marvelous blessings. Perhaps the greatest sin is that of ingratitude but when we acknowledge that God has blessed us. He will straighten the crooked paths so that we will not stumble and who can make crooked what God has straightened.



“Delight yourself in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart” - Psalm 37:34

To delight in the Lord is to want to please Him and striving to do so. When our delight is in God, He promises to give us the desires of our heart. Read all of Psalm 37 to see exactly how God can grant our desires. God is pleased to give us what we most desire but He will only do so if our delight is in Him and not in the things of the world.

When we acknowledge our lives to God, He will guide us in the right way. Our plans will not take place. As the scriptures say preparing the carts and horses are in the hands of king, but the victory in the hands of God.

“The horse is made ready for the day of battle, but victory rests with the LORD” -

Proverbs 21:31

Make a Plan for Success

“Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established” - Proverbs 16:3

To be committed to the work of the Lord is to be growing in grace and knowledge and to be sharing the gospel with the lost. If you are committed to glorifying God in this way, your plans will be established. This doesn't say, Good luck or maybe your plans will go well but your plans will be established.

In my life I have planned everything systematically. I was accepted Jesus Christ as my personal savior in the year 1972 February around 7:30pm. Since that day, I have planned everything through the guidance of God become the full time ministry. During my work in the Ship Yard, I did my education. After my ten plus two I joined in Ship Yard, I did my M.A, B.Th., B.D, and D.D. I secured my own house in that time. Finished my



education and own the house, reigned the job came for the full time ministry. At the age of forty, according to my plans for the ministry I have conducted a dedication service of my full time ministry, house opening along with my forty year birthday. I can say it was the plan for the success of the entering in to the full time ministry.

What does the Bible says about Sorrow?

Time for the Sorrow

“A time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance” - Ecclesiastes

3:4



The Bible clearly recognizes that there will be times of sorrow. This can't be avoided because of sin that is in the world. Sinful people and actions will bring sorrow on others until Jesus comes back. We can take hope that our sorrow is already known by our Father in heaven and He will help us through it. Even in our times of sorrow, we can show the grace, love, and hope of God in our words and actions. Our solid hope is in the Lord to comfort, sustain, and restore us in those days of sorrow. Scriptures clearly said that sorrows lead us to the joy.

Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us" -

Romans 5:3-5

Coming to my life I have gone through this experience. There is time for the sorrow, which we cannot avoid, experiences will help us to grow in the spiritual life. The time of sorrow will turn as the time of prayers. I can from my life, that we are strong in the spirit when we are in sorrow.



Seasons for the Sorrow

“For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime; weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning” - Psalm 30:5



Sorrow has a start and stop time as the Lord doesn't keep His people in a constant state of weeping. He fills us with the Holy Spirit who translates our moans and groans into prayers to heaven. Our Lord also gives us peace to endure through the difficult days so that we can make it through. Many tears run through the darkness of pain; however, through the light of Christ we can take joy in the midst of it.

As we have the season in the nature, we also have season for the sorrow. As the psalmist said, night was the sorrow and the day becomes the joy. As we accept the seasons of the nature, we also need to accept the sorrows season. That season leads us to the life. Some people have the misunderstanding about the seasons of sorrow.

Witness in the Sorrow

“When all the people who had gathered to witness this sight saw what took place, they beat their breasts and went away” - Luke 23:48



Worldly sorrows take the people to the evil things where they end up with the tragedy. The Godly sorrows make the people strong in the godliness and keep the witness. Through their sorrows someone will learn some spiritual lessons. If we go through the above scripture, it says very clearly the sorrows of Jesus Christ gave the wonderful testimony to the generations.

Coming to my personal life, I have gone through the great sorrows in the ministry. The people who watched spoke about the power of God which was accomplished with us. In certain times, the people who are against the church and to the Living God made all of their evil efforts to stop the church. It was really surprise thing that the nominal Christian leaders were there behind this conspiracy. Jesus was the same yesterday, today and tomorrow. God acted on these people. Five people died all of sudden with our any sickness or disease. That was the great witness in our sorrows. People came to know the power of God. That sorrow made the church grow in the number and spirit.

Blessings through the Sorrow

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted” - Matthew 5:4

The sorrows of the worldly people bring the destruction. But the sorrows of the Godly people bring the blessings.

“Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death” - 2 Corinthians 7:10



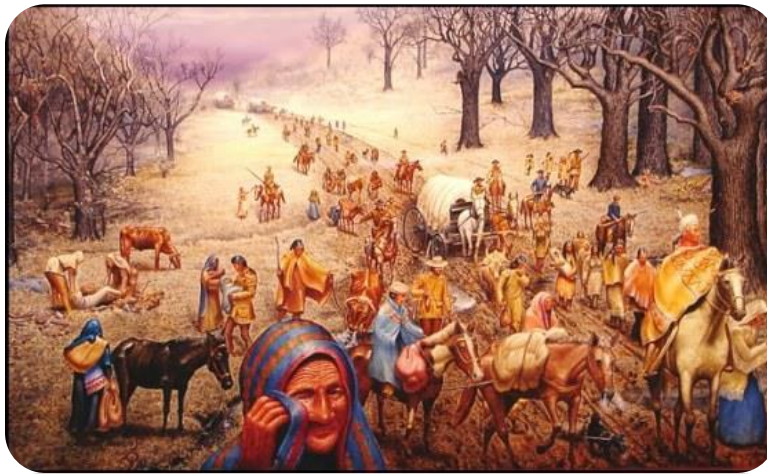
The great blessing of salvation came through the sorrows. Same time the God bless in every corner of life through the sorrows.

Coming to my life, I have gone through many sorrows in my life. Most of the sorrows I face only for the sake of the ministry. As I was the called and chosen one, God strengthened me in every sorrow in my life. Every sorrow in my life was the cause root for the great blessing. The blessings in my sorrows were not countable. I can definitely say that God blessed me abundantly in through the sorrows.

Removal of the Sorrow

“Do not be afraid; you will not be put to shame. Do not fear disgrace; you will not be humiliated. You will forget the shame of your youth and remember no more the reproach of your widowhood” - Isaiah 54:4

“You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, that my heart may sing your praises and not be silent. Lord my God, I will praise you forever” - Psalm 30:11



or the worldly people the sorrows will increase more and more to lead them to the bad
F endings. Coming to the Godly people, there will be removed by the God. As the matter
of fact their all sorrows were for the sake of the ministry only. It is the bound duty of
God to help them and save them from all of their sorrows.

Coming to my life and the ministry, the sorrows are like the best friends to us. In every situation of life facing some kind of sorrows as for me, I don't care the sorrows as the God was with me and takes care about every sorrow. Those sorrows leading me close to God. In fact I am rejoicing in the sorrows as God is removing them and making me so strong in the spirit.

Weariness in the Sorrow

“My soul is weary with sorrow; strengthen me according to your word” - Psalm 119:28

“In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted” - 2 Timothy 3:12

When the sorrows come the worldly people automatically get the weariness. Coming to the Godly people, they will not get weariness in their sorrows. The first reason, when they called for the ministry, they know the sorrows take place in the life. In other words they prepare for that. Weariness will never come to the God`s children as they always depend up on the Living God.

Coming to my life, I always travel in the midst of the troubles. Instead of weariness in the situations, I enjoy in the Lord very much. The presence of the God will make us strong to carry the life. People do not understand about me, how this man going on in these troubles? People thought that I leave the ministry because of the continue troubles. Troubles inside and the outside, people rebel against us, speaks bad about us. In any circumstances, I never allowed the weariness in my life as the Living God was with me. Psalmist said the following thing in the times of weariness.

“Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me” – Psalm 23:4

I had the same experiences in life. God is making me strong in the spirit day by day to I live for Him. God is helping me in the sorrows to overcome without the weariness.

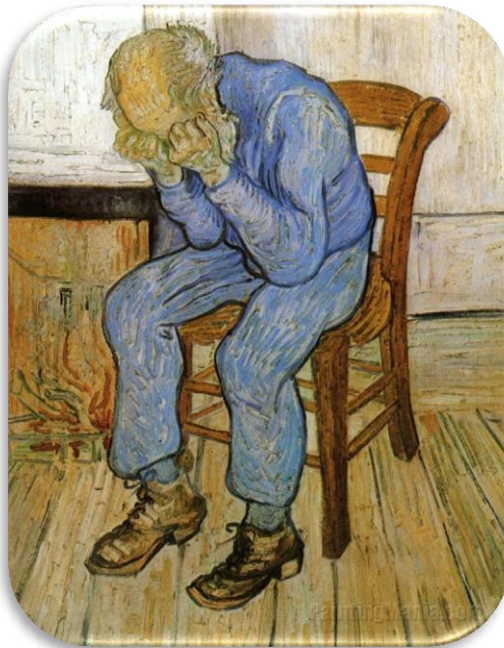


Sorrows for the God Servants

“My servants will sing out of the joy of their hearts, but you will cry out from anguish of heart and wail in brokenness of spirit” - Isaiah 65:14

“Sufferings, Humiliation and exaltation of Christ, are minutely described; with the blessings to mankind from his death”

“Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By oppression and judgment he was taken away. And who can speak of his descendants? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was stricken. He was assigned a grave with the wicked and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life a guilt offering, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand. After the suffering of his soul, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors” - Isaiah 53



he servants were called to bear the sorrows and keep the witness of the Living God through their lives. Christ like us to see in the “Christ likeness” God shown everything through His live experience.

The sorrows we face as the God’s servant leads us for the great glory in the heaven where we live with Him forever.



Sorrow will disappear

“I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us” - Romans 8:18

“We learn that in heaven, God will wipe away every tear and never will sorrow come to His people again. Yet while we are on this earth, we will suffer times of sorrow. Our solid hope is in the Lord to comfort, sustain, and restore us in those days of sorrow” - Revelation 21:4



Some people with the lack of faith, says that the sorrows are following them constantly. They think they will not have the redemption from those sorrows. Scriptures are encouraging us all time to with stand in every sorrow for the glory of God and the great witness. Some people may carry the sorrows all of their life time. For such people also the scriptures says like this.

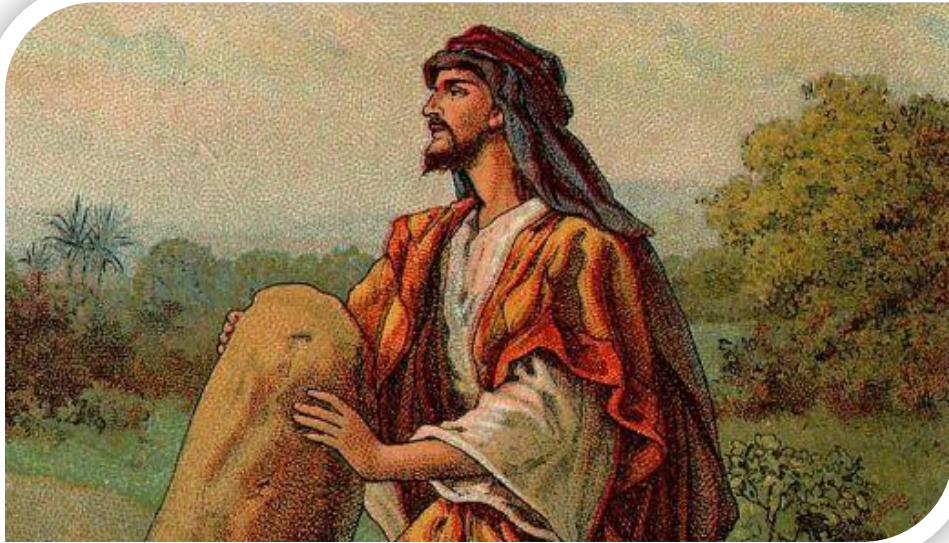
“What more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, about David and Samuel and the prophets, who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. Women received back their dead, raised to life again. There were others who were tortured, refusing to be released so that they might gain an even better resurrection. Some faced jeers and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were put to death by stoning; they were sawed in two; they were killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, living in caves and in holes in the ground.

These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect” – Hebrews 11:32 – 40

“For them the world was not worthy of them” I really love this statement. This was also my statement. It must be the statement of every God’s servant and the child. We face these sorrows for a while on the face of the earth. Once we have done with this life here on the face of the earth. Then we will enter into the everlasting life where we don’t have the sorrows and tears and worries. There we will live with the Living God for ever and ever.

Sorrows behind the Success of Bible Heroes

Jacob



Jacob was gone through the sorrows in his life to see the success. When he met King Pharaoh, Then the king said to Jacob, “How old are you?” Jacob said to him, “My life has been spent wandering from place to place. It has been short and filled with trouble—only one hundred thirty years. My ancestors lived much longer than I.” Then Jacob blessed the king and left.

He was expressed his sorrows in his life time in this statement. He lived all of his life time with sorrows in deferent face of the life. We will go through some of his sorrowful experience. I know some God`s servants who had this kind of sorrowful life. Coming to my life I was gone through many sorrows in my life. When I preach on this subject, it made to cry. I will share more experiences, at the end of this book in my personal experience chapter.

Jacob and Esau



Jacob was led by the mother to steal the blessings of the Esau from the father. It made Jacob to run away from the house to keep himself alive. Mother directed him to go to the maternal uncle's house. From there the sorrows of Jacob were started. Sometimes the love of the well-wishers leads us to the sorrows. We will see this kind of things in India very often. Here in India most of the families are the combined families. Most of the mother plays the role of Jacobs mother's in their families. They love one particular person that house, for that they act partially in everything. For that they do all kinds of non-sense in their sharing the things like properties both the spiritual and the material. These kinds of things definitely lead that family to difference. In certain families, they go to the police stations and to the courts for the justice. In some cases, the brutal children, kill each other for the sake of the properties.

Jacob was forced to face these kinds of troubles due the mother love and the guidance to him to steel the blessings of Esau. This made Esau to do any kind of harm to his own bother, including the murder.

Here I would love to give advice to the mothers. Coming to the mother of Jacob, she cheated her husband. According to the word of God she must be the submissive to the husband as she was submitted to God. Here she missed the God's way of doing the things. In the other side she shows the partiality between the bothers. That let the bothers to have the enmity. According to the word of God, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God" - Matthew 5:9. Instead of making the peace, she made the enmity between the bothers. She went against the word of God. Instead of becoming the child of God, she became an evil to make the differences between the own bothers. Due to this reason the word of God said like this in the scriptures, "Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you" - Isaiah 49:15. So I advise the mothers to have the Godly way of doing things between the children.

"Esau held a grudge against Jacob because of the blessing his father had given him. He said to himself, "The days of mourning for my father are near; then I will kill my brother Jacob" - Genesis 27:41

Here Esau was really angry about the brother's evilness. He was really thought to kill him. It was not happened, coming to many stories like this in the present days, brothers killing each other for the sake the properties.

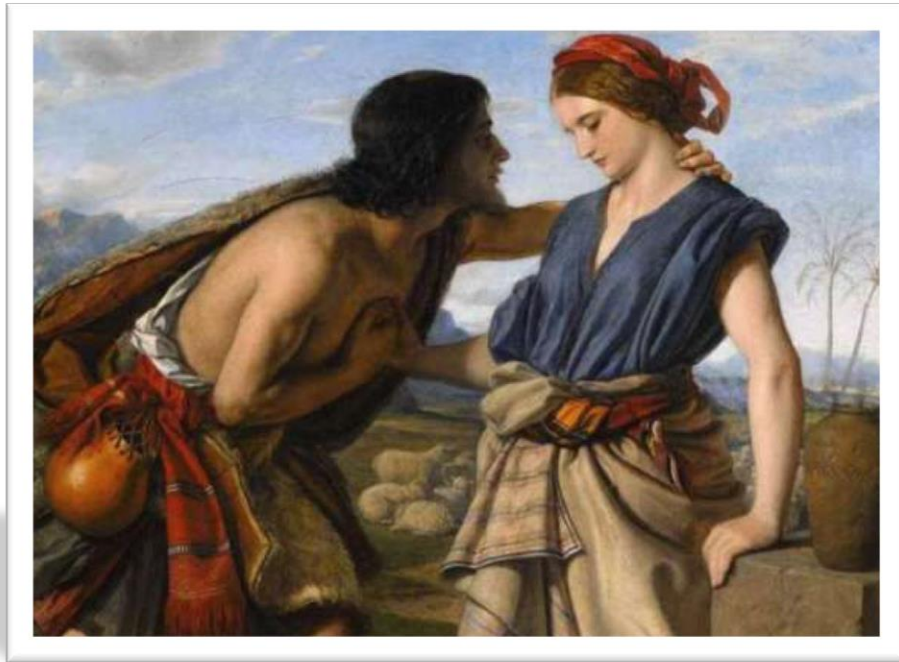
In our area, two brothers were blessed a lot. They both are the God's servants. They reached to a stage to have their own flight boing 747. The riches led them for the misunderstandings and gradually to the grudges. The final result was, the elder brother was murdered on the road. The younger brother gone to the prison, the wider ministry they were doing was spoiled, and they themselves gone away from the presence of God. Here the people saw the fulfillment of the scriptures.

“The love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many grief’s” - 1 Timothy 6:10.

Here we can learn one lesson, that was the forfeit certain rights to have peaceful life. When we love the world and the things in of world, we will be away from God that leads someone to do any kind of evil things. For brother I love to give an adviser to develop the Godliness in the lives to live for God with peace. There we will receive all kinds of blessings from the God.



Jacob's Marriages



“Jacob loved Rachel; and said, I will serve thee seven years for Rachel thy younger daughter. And Laban said, it is better that I give her to thee, than that I should give her to another man: abide with me. And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed unto him but a few days, for the love he had to her. And Jacob said unto Laban; Give me my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go in unto her. And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made a feast. And it came to pass in the evening that he took Leah his daughter, and brought her to him; and he went in unto her. And Laban gave unto his daughter Leah Zilpah his maid for an handmaid. And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold, it was Leah: and he said to Laban, What is this thou hast done unto me? did not I serve with thee for Rachel? Wherefore then hast thou beguiled me? And Laban said, It must not be so done in our country, to give the younger before the firstborn. Fulfill her week, and we will give thee this also for the service which thou shalt serve with me yet seven other years. And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week: and he gave him Rachel his daughter to wife also. And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his handmaid to be her maid. And he went in also unto Rachel, and he loved also Rachel more than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years. Genesis 29:18 30

Jacob was cheated by the maternal uncle regarding the marriage. He was forced to serve fourteen years for the two wives. This will teach the lesson for everyone. If we cheat others, we will be cheated. For this the scriptures are very clear. What we show, we will reap the same.

“Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows” - Galatians 6:7

What all happened to Jacob was that reaped the things which he was sow. it's not only for him, this is also for every mankind.

Coming to the marriage, now-a-days people are doing the business with the marriage. In India, the dowry system was very dangerous. Girl's parents will pick the boy for the girl. They will pay big money and the things to the boy as the dowry (Free gifts). If the boy is rich or with good job, girls parents need to pay more dowry. Marriage is the big problem for the girls in India.

My father was the model person. He was like philosopher for us. He taught us, how to live a better life. He gave us the better education, good jobs and the good wives. We four brothers and one sister had the very god life because of father's model life. He was the person who is against the dowry system. He spent the money from his side for the marriages. That practice was followed by all of the family members. We all performed our children's marriages with our dowry.

Besides that he was choose the girls who are Godly for the son's and the Godly man for our sister. In these days many are failing in the marriage by inviting the dowry system. Marriages must take place according the guidance of the God. We should not entertain the lusty and the worldly systems in the marriage.

“Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral” - Hebrews 13:4

Coming to the family there was a saying.

“Family was founded by God”

“Family was the foundation to the society”

“Word of God and the Prayer was the foundation for the family”

Journey back to Canaan

Surely all the wealth that God took away from our father belongs to us and our children. So do whatever God has told you. Then Jacob put his children and his wives on camels, and he drove all his livestock ahead of him, along with all the goods he had accumulated in Paddan Aram, to go to his father Isaac in the land of Canaan” - Genesis 31:16-18



Jacob Wrestled with God

“That night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two female servants and his eleven sons and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. After he had sent them across the stream, he sent over all his possessions. So Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him till daybreak. When the man saw that he could not overpower him, he touched the socket of Jacob’s hip so that his hip was wrenched as he wrestled with the man. Then the man said, Let me go, for it is daybreak. But Jacob replied, I will not let you go unless you bless me. The man asked him, “What is your name? Jacob, he answered. Then the man said, “Your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel, because you have struggled with God and with humans and have overcome. Jacob said, “Please tell me your name. But he replied, why do you ask my name? Then he blessed him there. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, it is because I saw God face to face, and yet my life was spared. The sun rose above him as he passed Peniel, and he was limping because of his hip. Therefore to this day the Israelites do not eat the tendon attached to the socket of the hip, because the socket of Jacob’s hip was touched near the tendon” - Genesis 32:22-32



Jacob was encountered the God and Wrestled with god. This did the great change in his life. Jacob is given the name Jacob which was gives the meaning, as trickster or supplanter and the heel grabber.

When he was wrestles at Jabbok with God, he was renamed as the Israel, which means strives with God.

The Israelites got their name through Jacob. He was so blessed to give the new name to his people through the God. We can say that the Jacob was honored even in his sorrows. Through his sorrows he became the cause root for his people to get the new name, which they were called till now as the Israelites.



Dinah and the Shechemites

Now Dinah, the daughter Leah had borne to Jacob, went out to visit the women of the land.

When Shechem son of Hamor the Hivite, the ruler of that area, saw her, he took her and violated her. His heart was drawn to Dinah daughter of Jacob, and he loved the girl and spoke tenderly to her. And Shechem said to his father Hamor, Get me this girl as my wife.

When Jacob heard that his daughter Dinah had been defiled, his sons were in the fields with his livestock; so he kept quiet about it until they came home. Then Shechem's father Hamor went out to talk with Jacob. Now Jacob's sons had come in from the fields as soon as they heard what had happened. They were filled with grief and fury, because Shechem had done a disgraceful thing in Israel by lying with Jacob's daughter--a thing that should

not be done. But Hamor said to them, "My son Shechem has his heart set on your daughter. Please give her to him as his wife. Intermarry with us; give us your daughters and take our daughters for yourselves. You can settle among us; the land is open to you.

Live in it, trade in it, and acquire property in it." Then Shechem said to Dinah's father and brothers, Let me find favor in your eyes, and I will give you whatever you ask. Make the price for the bride and the gift I am to bring as great as you like, and I'll pay whatever you ask me. Only give me the girl as my wife. Because their sister Dinah had been defiled, Jacob's sons replied deceitfully as they spoke to Shechem and his father Hamor. They said to them, We can't do such a thing; we can't give our sister to a man who is not circumcised. That would be a disgrace to us. We will give our consent to you on one condition only: that

you become like us by circumcising all your males. Then we will give you our daughters and take your daughters for ourselves. We'll settle among you and become one people with you. But if you will not agree to be circumcised, we'll take our sister and go. Their

proposal seemed good to Hamor and his son Shechem. The young man, who was the most honored of his entire father's household, lost no time in doing what they said, because he was delighted with Jacob's daughter. So Hamor and his son Shechem went to the gate of their city to speak to their fellow townsmen. These men are friendly toward us, they said.

Let them live in our land and trade in it; the land has plenty of room for them. We can marry their daughters and they can marry ours. But the men will consent to live with us as

one people only on the condition that our males be circumcised, as they themselves are. Won't their livestock, their property and all their other animals become ours? So let us give our consent to them, and they will settle among us. All the men who went out of the city gate agreed with Hamor and his son Shechem, and every male in the city was circumcised. Three days later, while all of them were still in pain, two of Jacob's sons, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brothers, took their swords and attacked the unsuspecting city, killing every male. They put Hamor and his son Shechem to the sword and took Dinah from Shechem's house and left. The sons of Jacob came upon the dead bodies and looted the city where their sister had been defiled. They seized their flocks and herds and donkeys and everything else of theirs in the city and out in the fields. They carried off all their wealth and all their women and children, taking as plunder everything in the houses. Then Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, You have brought trouble on me by making me a stench to the Canaanites and Perizzites, the people living in this land. We are few in number, and if they join forces against me and attack me, I and my household will be destroyed. But they replied, Should he have treated our sister like a prostitute?" - Genesis 34



Here we can see the sorrow of Jacob. How his daughter was raped by the Gentile person. How his sons reacted on the issue and paid the price for that. Even though they were acted in the ferocious way to repay, Jacob feared for the gentiles.

Here we can see one thing. The dead's of the parents will follow on the children.

“The LORD is slow to anger, abounding in love and forgiving sin and rebellion. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation” - Numbers 14:18

Jesus also told by seeing the fruits, you will come to know about the tree.

“Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thorn bushes, or grapes from briers” - Luke 6:44

This story teaches to the parents must live in the right life which pleases God; the children will have the good future. The scriptures also told this.

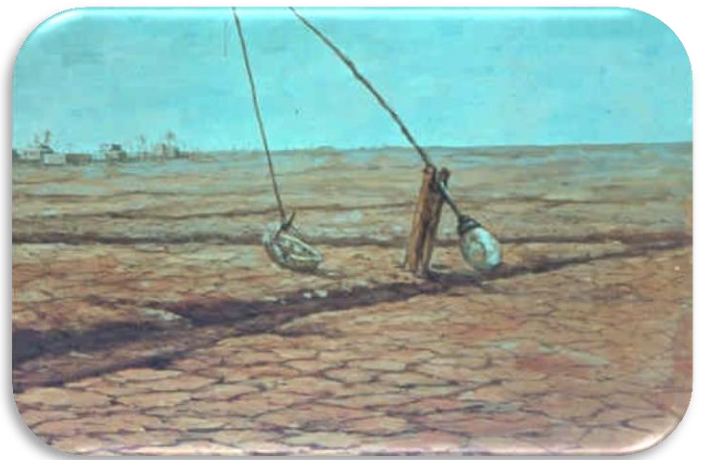
“Train up a child in the way he should go, Even when he is old he will not depart from it” – Proverbs 22:5



How can we train up the child? Many people think that through the good preaching or teaching, we can train the child. Children are the best imitators. They don't do what you say, they do what you did. So the parents must present the good life to the children through their lives only.

Seven years of famine

“The seven years of famine began, just as Joseph had said. There was famine in all the other lands, but in the whole land of Egypt there was food” - Genesis 41:54



Jacob in Egypt

“Pharaoh said unto Jacob, How old art thou? And Jacob said unto Pharaoh, The days of the years of my pilgrimage are an hundred and thirty years: few and evil have the days of the years of my life been, and have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage” - Genesis 47:8-9



Here Jacob expressed his heart feeling to the king Pharaoh. That's the real story of Jacob. This is the great lesson or preaching the entire mankind. The scriptures were also very clear in this matter.

**“If the righteous will be rewarded in the earth, How much more the wicked and the sinner”
- Proverbs 11:31**

We will get our rewards on the face of the earth only. So what all we have to do is, to continue the spiritual life with fear and tremble.

**“Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed--not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence--continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling” -
Philippians 2:12**



Final days of Jacob



Jacob was only a shepherd, and Joseph was an exalted and powerful statesman. Had there been a trace of meanness and pride and self-seeking in the son, he might easily have waited till the patriarch was dead before doing him honor. Death often compels a child to respect a neglected parent. But Joseph was a great man, so great that the distinction of station had no influence upon his mind. Like many other great men, his personal attachments were intense, and his loyalty to his family was deep and unchanged. Besides this, his father was the heir of the covenant whose mercies would enrich him more than all Egypt's lands, and he could not alienate himself from that future commonwealth of Israel to which his faith pointed. This journey of Joseph to his father shows the man, and the man of God. He felt that the less was to be blessed of the greater.

Children of Jacob

Reuben - Genesis 29:32; Simeon - Genesis 29:33; Levi - Genesis 29:34; Judah - Genesis 29:35; Dan - Genesis 30:5; Naphtali - Genesis 30:7; Gad - Genesis 30:10; Asher - Genesis 30:12; Issachar - Genesis 30:17; Zebulun - Genesis 30:19; Joseph - Genesis 30:23; and Benjamin - Genesis 35:18; and at least one daughter, Dinah (if there were other daughters, they are not mentioned in the Genesis story) - Genesis 30:21. In addition, Jacob also adopted the two sons of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim - Genesis 48:5.



The success of Jacob's life contained many sorrows. There is a saying :No Pain No gain” we need to face the sorrows to see the success in the life.

Joseph



Sorrows through Brothers

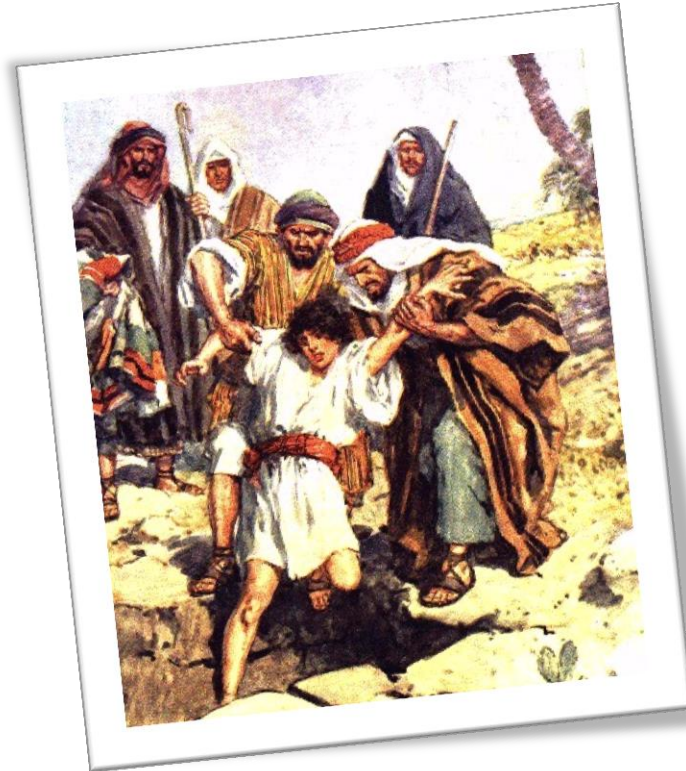
“Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him all the more” –

Genesis 37:5

“His brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the matter in mind” - Genesis 37:11

“Joseph found his brothers in Dothan. But before he got there, they saw him coming and made plans to kill him. They said to one another, look, here comes the hero of those dreams! Let’s kill him and throw him into a pit and say that some wild animal ate him.

Then we’ll see what happens to those dreams. Reuben heard this and tried to protect Joseph from them. Let’s not kill him, he said. Don’t murder him or even harm him. Just throw him into a dry well out here in the desert. Reuben planned to rescue Joseph later and take him back to his father. When Joseph came to his brothers, they pulled off his fancy coat and threw him into a dry well. As Joseph’s brothers sat down to eat, they looked up and saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead. Their camels were loaded with all kinds of spices that they were taking to Egypt. So Judah said, “What will we gain if we kill our brother and hide his body? Let’s sell him to the Ishmaelites and not harm him. After all, he is our brother.” And the others agreed. When the Midianite merchants came by, Joseph’s brothers took him out of the well, and for twenty pieces of silver they sold him to the Ishmaelites who took him to Egypt. Genesis 37:17 – 38



Dreams of the Joseph's were made the brother enemies to him. The dreams says greatness of Joseph, which the brothers do not like. The first murderer was the brother. What made to kill his brother?

Cain was the first human born and Abel was the first human to die. Cain committed the first murder by killing his brother. Jealousy and anger made Cain to kill his brother.

“Lord said to Cain, “Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? 7 If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it. Now Cain said to his brother Abel, “Let’s go out to the field. While they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother Abel and killed him” - Genesis 4:6-8

Jealousy and anger made the brothers of Joseph to do evil to him. They did the maximum evil to Joseph. As the matter of fact, if God was not with him, he will not see the good days

in his life. The sorrows what all he faced through the brothers, led him to the success in the life.

Every god's child will face these kinds of sorrows in their lives. Coming to my life, at one stage, I was boycotted by my brothers. They called it as the social boycott. My son was little child by that time, me and my wife with the little child had the bitterest expenses in our lives. No one was talking to us. Just lonely life, at one stages my fear that I may become the mad man. We really do not what will happen to us. In those days God sent the great servant of God to help us and guide us. Those pressures made us strong in the spirit and did great job to get every mighty blessing from god. If we couldn't go through those sorrows, we may not see these blessings in our lives.

The sorrows of the Joseph through the brothers led him to the success in his life.



Sorrows through Potiphar's Wife

“One day, Joseph went to Potiphar’s house to do his work, and none of the other servants were there. Potiphar’s wife grabbed hold of his coat and said, make love to me, Joseph ran out of the house, leaving her hanging onto his coat. When this happened, she called in her servants and said, Look! This Hebrew has come just to make fools of us. He tried to rape me, but I screamed for help. And when he heard me scream, he ran out of the house, leaving his coat with me.” Potiphar’s wife kept Joseph’s coat until her husband came home. Then she said, That Hebrew slave of yours tried to rape me! But when I screamed for help, he left his coat and ran out of the house. Potiphar became very angry and threw Joseph in the same prison where the king’s prisoners were kept” - Genesis 39:11 – 20



Once Joseph came to the Potiphar's house, he might thought that was the fulfillment of his dreams. He was honored there. All of sudden his life changed. The woman made his life to take to U turn to go to the prison. In proverbs there are two women with two different natures.

**“The wise woman builds her house, But the foolish pulls it down with her hands” -
Proverbs 14:1**

Here the wife of Potiphar's wife acted as an evil to Joseph. By knowing the goodness of Joseph, Potiphar understood nothing, that's the woman and the nature of evil. Woman build's the house, same time she destroy the house. The sorrow Joseph face through the wife of Potiphar led him to successful life. If Joseph did not go to the prison, that story may be different. It is very easy to write and speak. But we cannot explain how much pain Joseph had in that situation.

God children and the servant must be careful with the women. They are good, bad and ugly. Poison gives life of the people, same time it will kills the people. We must know how to behave with women. There is saying that there will be a woman behind a man's success. Same time there will be a woman behind the destruction of the great people. Let us see some evil women in the Bible who did the great damage to the God's servants as well as the God's work.

Delilah: Exposed the Secret Samson

“It came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah. And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength lieth, and by what means we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to afflict him; and we will give thee every one of us eleven hundred pieces of silver. And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength lieth, and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict thee. And Samson said unto her, If they bind me with seven green with that were never dried, then shall I be weak, and be as another man. Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green with which had not been dried, and she bound him with them. Now there were men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber. And she said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he brake the with, as a thread of tow is broken when it toucheth the fire. So his strength was not known. And Delilah said unto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: now tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If they bind me fast with new ropes that never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another man. Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And there were liers in wait abiding in the chamber. And he brake them from off his arms like a thread. And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightiest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web. And she fastened it with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web. And she said unto him, How canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart is not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength lieth. And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, so that his soul was vexed unto death; That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother’s womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man. And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath

shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand. And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him. And she said, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself.

And he wist not that the Lord was departed from him. But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house” - Judges 16:4-21



Salome: Evilness Herod and the Gift



ing Herod heard about this, for Jesus' name had become well known. Some were saying, John the Baptist has been raised from the dead, and that is why miraculous powers are at work in him. Others said, He is Elijah. And still others claimed, He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of long ago. But when Herod heard this, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised from the dead! For Herod himself had given orders to have John arrested, and he had him bound and put in prison. He did this because of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, whom he had married.

For John had been saying to Herod, It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife. So Herodias nursed a grudge against John and wanted to kill him. But she was not able to, because Herod feared John and protected him, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man. When Herod heard John, he was greatly puzzled; yet he liked to listen to him. Finally the opportune time came. On his birthday Herod gave a banquet for his high officials and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. When the daughter of Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his dinner guests. The king said to the girl, Ask me for anything you want, and I'll give it to you. And he promised her with an oath, whatever you ask I will give you, up to half my kingdom. She went out and said to her mother, what shall I ask for? The head of John the Baptist, she answered. At once the girl hurried in to the king with the request: I want you to give me right now the head of John the Baptist on a platter. The king was greatly distressed, but because of his oaths and his dinner guests, he did not want to refuse her. So he immediately sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. The man went, beheaded John in the prison, and brought back his head on a platter. He presented it to the

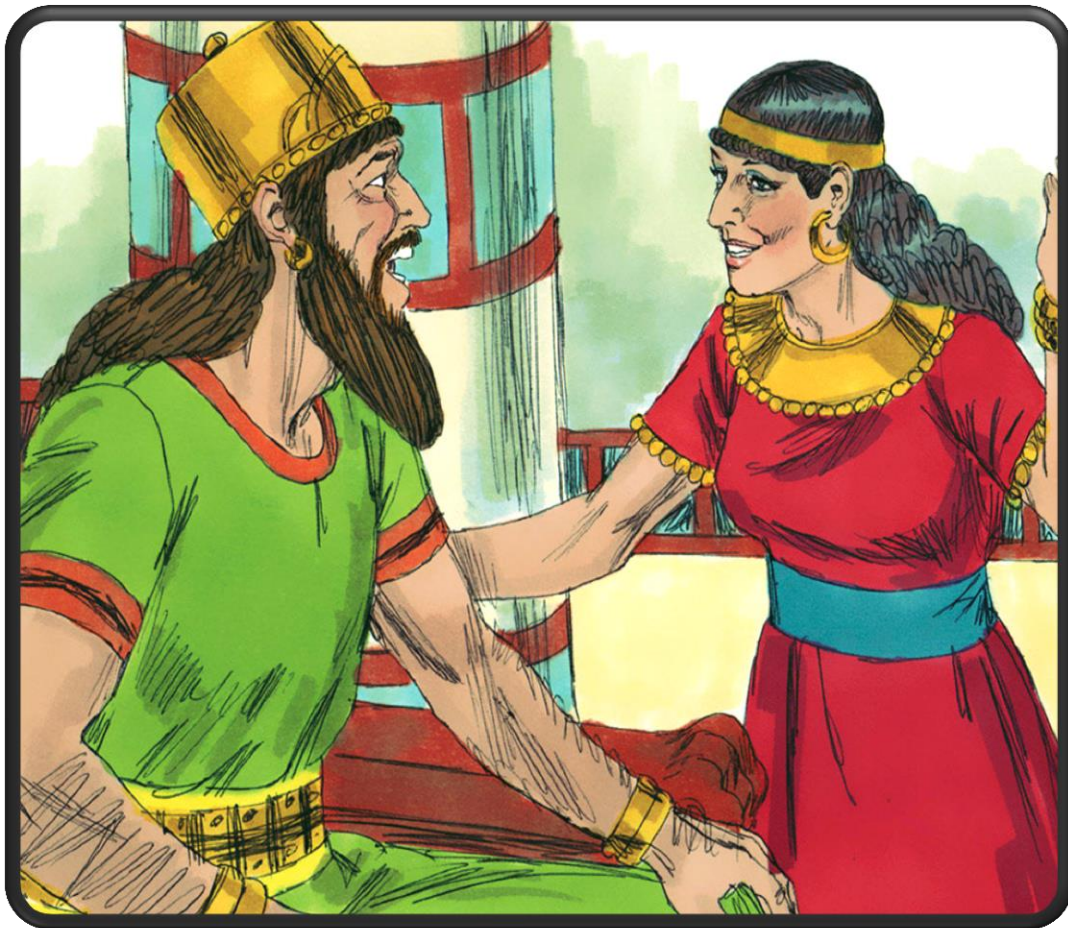
girl, and she gave it to her mother. On hearing of this, John's disciples came and took his body and laid it in a tomb" - Mark 6:14-29

Jezebel: An Evil Queen

Sometime later there was an incident involving a vineyard belonging to Naboth the Jezreelite. The vineyard was in Jezreel, close to the palace of Ahab king of Samaria. Ahab said to Naboth; Let me have your vineyard to use for a vegetable garden, since it is close to my palace. In exchange I will give you a better vineyard or, if you prefer, I will pay you whatever it is worth. But Naboth replied, The Lord forbids that I should give you the inheritance of my ancestors. So Ahab went home, sullen and angry because Naboth the Jezreelite had said, "I will not give you the inheritance of my ancestors. He lay on his bed sulking and refused to eat. His wife Jezebel came in and asked him, "Why are you so sullen? Why won't you eat? He answered her, because I said to Naboth the Jezreelite, 'Sell me your vineyard; or if you prefer, I will give you another vineyard in its place.' But he said, I will not give you my vineyard. Jezebel his wife said, Is this how you act as king over Israel? Get up and eat! Cheer up. I'll get you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite. So she wrote letters in Ahab's name, placed his seal on them, and sent them to the elders and nobles who lived in Naboth's city with him. In those letters she wrote: Proclaim a day of fasting and seat Naboth in a prominent place among the people. But seat two scoundrels opposite him and have them bring charges that he has cursed both God and the king. Then take him out and stone him to death. So the elders and nobles who lived in Naboth's city did as Jezebel directed in the letters she had written to them. They proclaimed a fast and seated Naboth in a prominent place among the people. Then two



scoundrels came and sat opposite him and brought charges against Naboth before the people, saying, Naboth has cursed both God and the king. So they took him outside the city and stoned him to death. Then they sent word to Jezebel: Naboth has been stoned to death. As soon as Jezebel heard that Naboth had been stoned to death, she said to Ahab, Get up and take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite that he refused to sell you. He is no longer alive, but dead. When Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, he got up and went down to take possession of Naboth's vineyard - 1 Kings 21:1-16



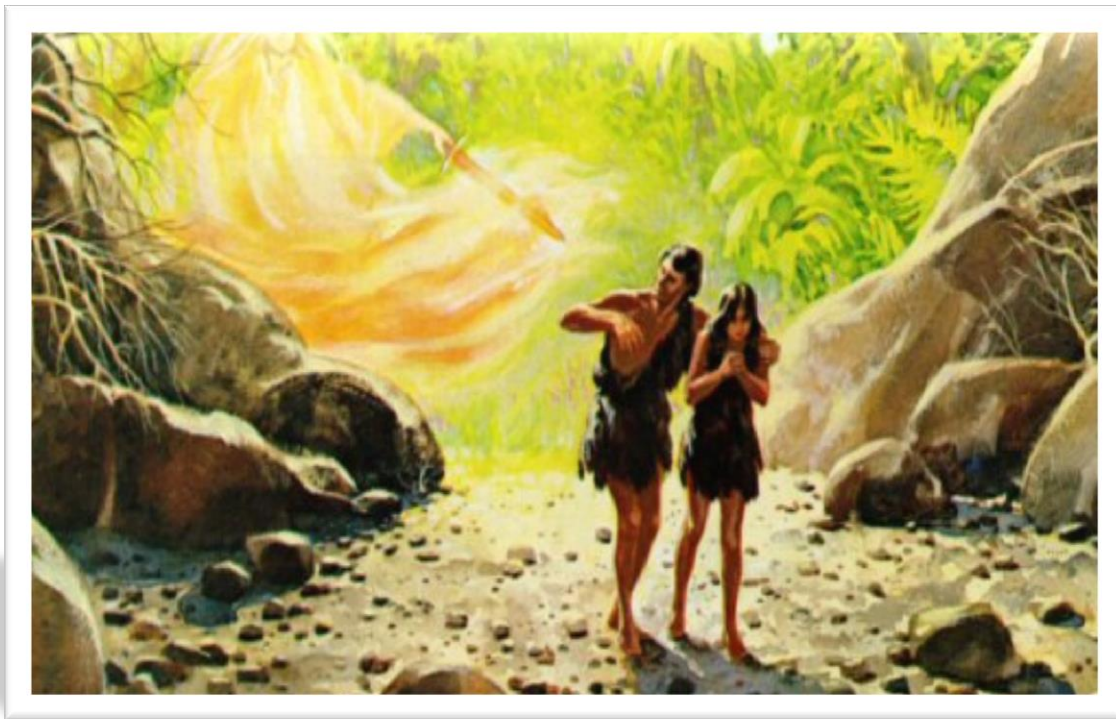
Eve: Origin for the Distraction



Now the serpent was craftier than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, did God really say, You must not eat from any tree in the garden? The woman said to the serpent, we may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, but God did say, You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die. You will not certainly die, the serpent said to the woman. For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil. When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom,

she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, Where are you? He answered, “I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid. And he said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from? The man said, “The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it. Then the Lord God said to the woman, “What is this you have done? The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate. So the Lord God said to the serpent, because you have done this, Cursed are you above all livestock and all wild animals. You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel. To the woman he said I will make your pains in childbearing very severe; with painful labor

you will give birth to children. Your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you. To Adam he said, because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, you must not eat from it, Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life. It will produce thorns and thistles for you and you will eat the plants of the field, By the sweat of your brow. You will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return. Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living. The Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them. And the Lord God said, The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever. So the Lord God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken. After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life” - Genesis 3



Herodias: Who wanted to see John killed

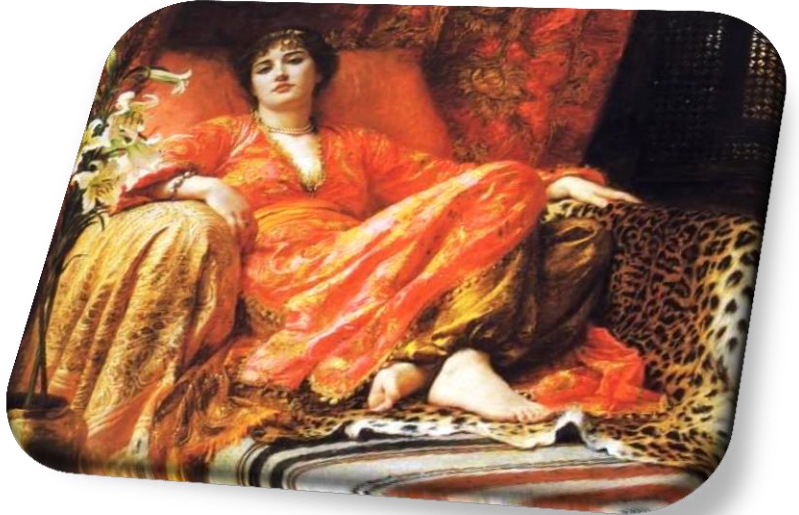
“At that time Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame of Jesus, And said unto his servants, This is John the Baptist; he is risen from the dead; and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him. For Herod had laid hold on John, and bound him, and put him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife. For John said unto him, It is not lawful for thee to have her. And when he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they counted him as a prophet. But when Herod's birthday was kept, the daughter of Herodias danced before them, and pleased Herod. Whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatsoever she would ask. And she, being before instructed of her mother, said, give me here John Baptist's head in a charger. And the king was sorry: nevertheless for the oath's sake, and them which sat with him at meat, he commanded it to be given her. And he sent, and beheaded John in the prison. And his head was brought in a charger, and given to the damsel: and she brought it to her mother -

Matthew 14:1-11



Maacah: Worship of the fertility gods Baal and Asherah

“In the eighteenth year of King Jeroboam the son of Nebat, Abijam became king over Judah. He reigned three years in Jerusalem. His mother’s name was Maachah the granddaughter of Abishalom. And he walked in all the sins of his father, which he had done before him; his heart was not loyal to the Lord his God, as was the heart of his father David. Nevertheless for David’s sake the Lord his God gave him a lamp in Jerusalem, by setting up his son after him and by establishing Jerusalem; because David did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, and had not turned aside from anything that He commanded him all the days of his life, except in the matter of Uriah the Hittite. And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all the days of his life. Now the rest of the acts of Abijam, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? And there was war between Abijam and Jeroboam. So Abijam rested with his fathers, and they buried him in the City of David. Then Asa his son reigned in his place. In the twentieth year of Jeroboam king of Israel, Asa became king over Judah. And he reigned forty-one years in Jerusalem. His grandmother’s name was Maachah the granddaughter of Abishalom. Asa did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, as did his father David. And he banished the perverted persons from the land, and removed all the idols that his fathers had made. Also he removed Maachah his grandmother from being queen mother, because she had made an obscene image of Asherah. And Asa cut down her obscene image and burned it by the Brook Kidron. But the high places were not removed. Nevertheless Asa’s heart was loyal to the Lord all his days. He also brought into the house of the Lord the things which his father had dedicated, and the things which he himself had dedicated: silver and gold and utensils” -1 Kings 15: 1 – 15



Lot's Wife: Turned into a pillar of lifeless salt

“That evening the two angels came to the entrance of the city of Sodom. Lot was sitting there, and when he saw them, he stood up to meet them. Then he welcomed them and bowed with his face to the ground. My lords, he said, come to my home to wash your feet, and be my guests for the night. You may then get up early in the morning and be on your way again. Oh no, they replied. We’ll just spend the night out here in the city square. But Lot insisted, so at last they went home with him. Lot prepared a feast for them, complete with fresh bread made without yeast, and they ate. But before they retired for the night, all the men of Sodom, young and old, came from all over the city and surrounded the house. They shouted to Lot, Where are the men who came to spend the night with you? Bring them out to us so we can have sex with them. So Lot stepped outside to talk to them, shutting the door behind him. Please, my brothers, he begged, don’t do such a wicked thing. Look, I have two virgin daughters. Let me bring them out to you, and you can do with them as you wish. But please, leave these men alone, for they are my guests and are under my protection. Stand back! they shouted. This fellow came to town as an outsider, and now he’s acting like our judge! We’ll treat you far worse than those other men, and they lunged toward Lot to break down the door.

But the two angels[a] reached out, pulled Lot into the house, and bolted the door. Then they blinded all the men, young and old, who were at the door of the house, so they gave up trying to get inside. Meanwhile, the angels questioned Lot. Do you have any other relatives here in the city? they asked. “Get them out of this place—your sons-in-law, sons, daughters, or anyone else. For we are about to destroy this city completely. The outcry against this place is so great it has reached the Lord, and he has sent us to destroy it. So Lot rushed out to tell his daughters’ fiancés, Quick, get out of the city! The Lord is about to destroy it. But the young men thought he was only joking. At dawn the next morning the angels became insistent. “Hurry, they said to Lot. “Take your wife and your two daughters who are here. Get out right now, or you will be swept away in the destruction of the city. When Lot still hesitated, the angels seized his hand and the hands of his wife and two daughters and rushed them to safety outside the city, for the Lord was merciful. When

they were safely out of the city, one of the angels ordered, Run for your lives! And don't look back or stop anywhere in the valley! Escape to the mountains, or you will be swept away. Oh no, my lord. Lot begged. You have been so gracious to me and saved my life, and you have shown such great kindness. But I cannot go to the mountains. Disaster would catch up to me there, and I would soon die. See, there is a small village nearby. Please let me go there instead; don't you see how small it is? Then my life will be saved.

All right," the angel said, I will grant your request. I will not destroy the little village. But hurry! Escape to it, for I can do nothing until you arrive there. (This explains why that village was known as Zoar, which means "little place.") Lot reached the village just as the sun was rising over the horizon. Then the Lord rained down fire and burning sulfur from the sky on Sodom and Gomorrah. He utterly destroyed them, along with the other cities and villages of the plain, wiping out all the people and every bit of vegetation. But Lot's wife looked back as she was following behind him, and she turned into a pillar of salt" -

Genesis 19: 1 – 29



Lot's Daughters: Became pregnant by Father

“Afterward Lot left Zoar because he was afraid of the people there, and he went to live in a cave in the mountains with his two daughters. One day the older daughter said to her sister, “There are no men left anywhere in this entire area, so we can’t get married like everyone else. And our father will soon be too old to have children. Come, let’s get him drunk with wine, and then we will have sex with him. That way we will preserve our family line through our father. So that night they got him drunk with wine, and the older daughter went in and had intercourse with her father. He was unaware of her lying down or getting up again. The next morning the older daughter said to her younger sister, I had sex with our father last night. Let’s get him drunk with wine again tonight, and you go in and have sex with him. That way we will preserve our family line through our father. So that night they got him drunk with wine again, and the younger daughter went in and had intercourse with him. As before, he was unaware of her lying down or getting up again.

As a result, both of Lot’s daughters became pregnant by their own father. When the older daughter gave birth to a son, she named him Moab. He became the ancestor of the nation now known as the Moabites. When the younger daughter gave birth to a son, she named him Ben-ammi. He became the ancestor of the nation now known as the Ammonites”-

Genesis 19:30-38



Athaliah: Destroy own family seizing power for herself

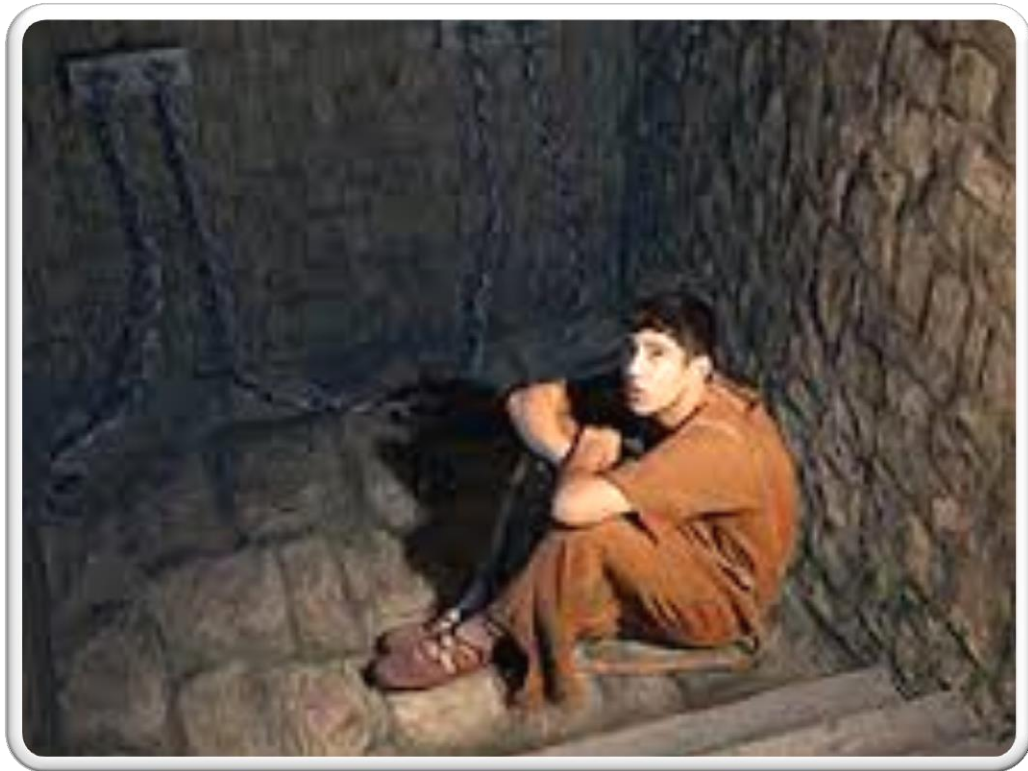
When Athaliah, the mother of King Ahaziah of Judah, learned that her son was dead, she began to destroy the rest of Judah's royal family. But Ahaziah's sister Jehosheba,[i] the daughter of King Jehoram, took Ahaziah's infant son, Joash, and stole him away from among the rest of the king's children, who were about to be killed. She put Joash and his nurse in a bedroom. In this way, Jehosheba, wife of Jehoiada the priest and sister of Ahaziah, hid the child so that Athaliah could not murder him. Joash remained hidden in the Temple of God for six years while Athaliah ruled over the land” - 2 Chronicles 22: 10 –

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Sorrows and redemption from prison

While Joseph was in prison, the Lord helped him and was good to him. He even made the jailer like Joseph so much that he put him in charge of the other prisoners and of everything that was done in the jail. The jailer did not worry about anything, because the Lord was with Joseph and made him successful in that entire he did” - Genesis 39:21 – 23

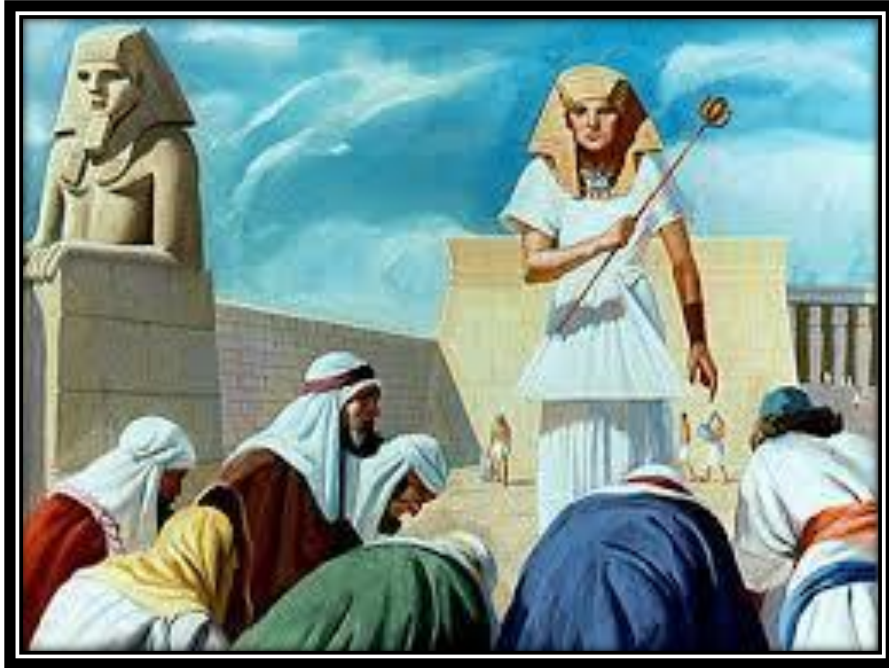


he life of prison must humiliate Joseph. For the no reason he was kept in the prison.
T God kept the favor to Joseph. Through the co-prisoners God opened the way for Joseph to come out to become the Governor of the Egypt.

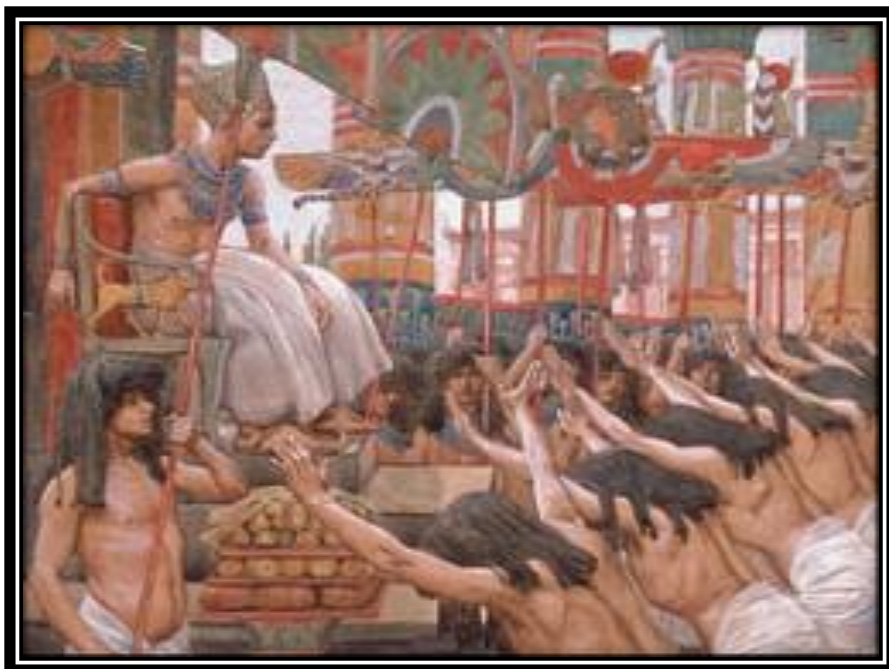
Joseph is Made Governor over Egypt

“The king and his officials liked this plan. So the king said to them, No one could possibly handle this better than Joseph, since the Spirit of God is with him. The king told Joseph, God is the one who has shown you these things. No one else is as wise as you are or knows as much as you do. I’m putting you in charge of my palace, and everybody will have to obey you. No one will be over you except me. You are now governor of all Egypt! Then the king took off his royal ring and put it on Joseph’s finger. He gave him fine clothes to wear and placed a gold chain around his neck. He also let him ride in the chariot next to his own, and people shouted, “Make way for Joseph!” So Joseph was governor of Egypt. The king told Joseph, Although I’m king, no one in Egypt is to do anything without your permission. He gave Joseph the Egyptian name Zaphenath Paneah. And he let him marry Asenath, the daughter of Potiphera, a priest in the city of Heliopolis. Joseph traveled all over Egypt. Joseph was thirty when the king made him governor, and he went everywhere for the king. For seven years there were big harvests of grain. Joseph collected and stored up the extra grain in the cities of Egypt near the fields where it was harvested. In fact, there was so much grain that they stopped keeping record, because it was like counting the grains of sand along the beach.

Joseph and his wife had two sons before the famine began. Their first son was named Manasseh, which means, God has let me forget all my troubles and my family back home. His second son was named Ephraim, which means God has made me a success in the land where I suffered. Egypt’s seven years of plenty came to an end, and the seven years of famine began, just as Joseph had said. There was not enough food in other countries, but all over Egypt there was plenty. When the famine finally struck Egypt, the people asked the king for food, but he said, Go to Joseph and do what he tells you to do. The famine became bad everywhere in Egypt, so Joseph opened the storehouses and sold the grain to the Egyptians. People from all over the world came to Egypt, because the famine was severe in their countries” – Genesis 41:37 – 57



The sorrows of Joseph made him as the Governor of the Egypt. We all think about the Governorship, how many of us think about the sorrows behind that success.

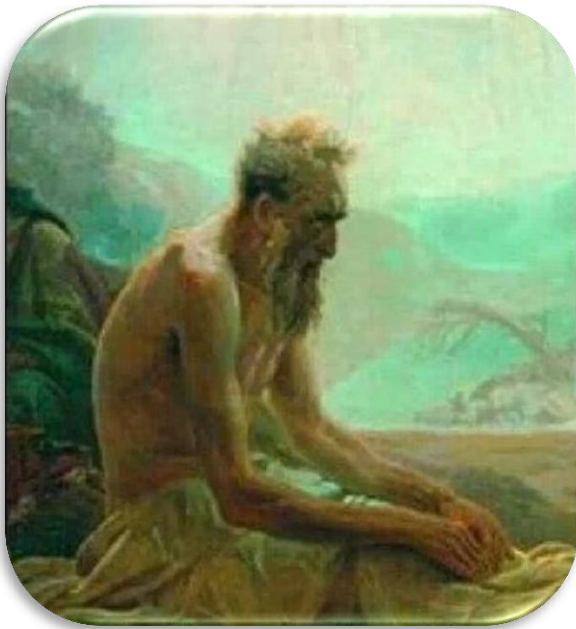


Job

God allowed Satan to attack directly to Job. He was an example as he loses everything important to him, yet remains faithful to God. It speaks the God's sovereignty and faithfulness during a time of great suffering or sorrow. God tests Job's faithfulness through allowing Satan to attack him. God told Satan, Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not put forth your hand on him.

"The LORD said to Satan, "Very well, then, everything he has is in your power, but on the man himself do not lay a finger." Then Satan went out from the presence of the LORD" –

Job 1:12



Job trails and the sorrows are very different from others. He was a unique person.

These kinds of trails will not happen to someone in that past and the present. Here God allowed the Satan to test him.

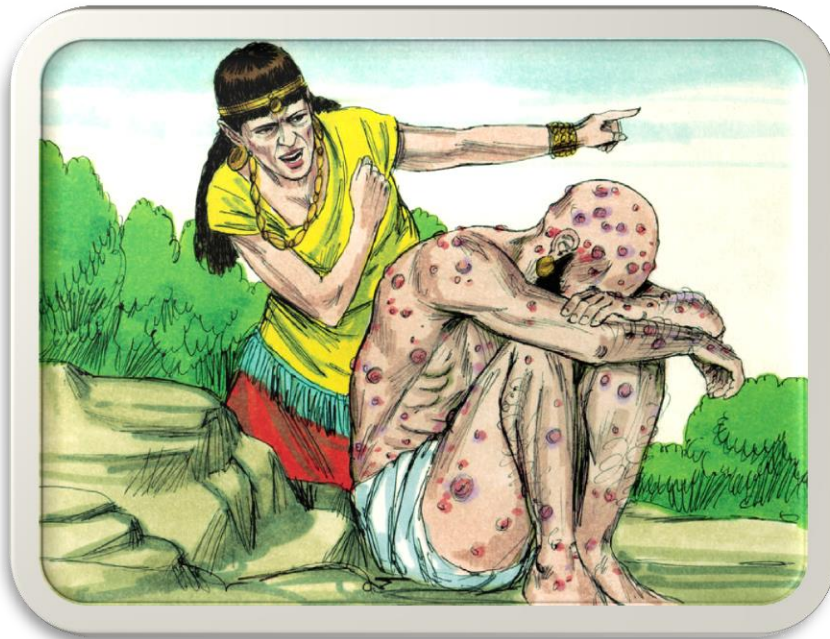
Some people don't understand this. One of our relative met me long time back and shared his foolish prayer with me. He told me that he asked God to give the trails like Job. Result of his prayer, he lost his house and the wealth

including the other materials. He was advising the others do not do prayer like this. I told him about the Job, that he was a unique person.

God will never allow the Stan to test His children through the trails.

“Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift all of you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, Simon that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers” - Luke 22:31-32

Job and his wife’s advice



Job lost everything including his health in those trials and sorrows. His wife advised him to curse God and commit suicide, but he remains strong and faithful to God everything. Through all of these troubles and the sorrows Job did not sin nor did he blame God.

“Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head, and he fell to the ground and worshiped. He said, Naked I came from my mother’s womb, and naked I shall return there. The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

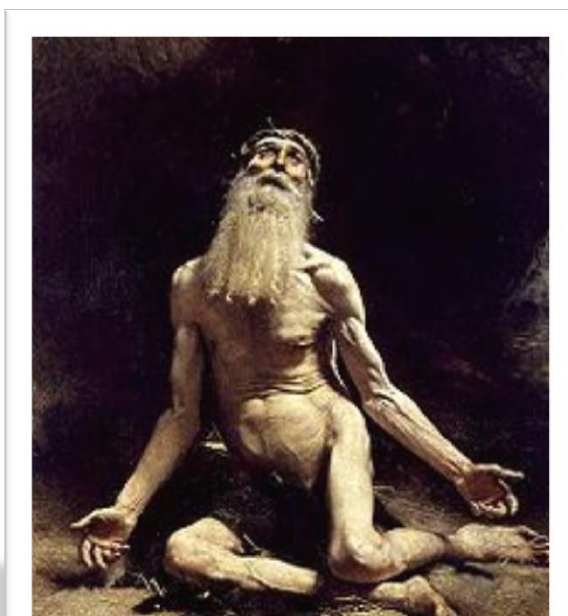
Through all this Job did not sin nor did he blame God” - Job 1:20-22

Generally the wives advise like this only. She was in thinking that God is punishing Job. She was also in the thinking that he received those trials due to his sins. Many women in the Bible history gave the wrong suggestions and the directions to the husbands. Job's wife told him to curse God and commit suicide. It was an evil suggestion. Job stood for God in every situation.

Coming to my life, I had this kind of experience. I have the nature of speaking straight. Generally that of talk makes others to pain. People were habited to hear the fake words. When God spoke to Adam and Eve, they took those words very slight. When Satan spoke to them, they implemented his directions. The same nature of human is continuing till now. My wife advised me to change the way of talk. Talk to please the people. I told how can I do that? If I please people, how can I please God?

“Am I now seeking the favor of men, or of God? Or am I striving to please men? If I were still trying to please men, I would not be a bond-servant of Christ” - Galatians 1:10

Then I prayed and asked God what I shall do with my wife advice. God gave me the clear direction not to change my life style and the talk. When I honor God advice, God started blessing me in everything. The most important thing was the growth of the ministry. The fifteen member's church was grown up to five thousand in and out.



Job and his friends advises

Job's friends give him plenty of bad advices, in rounds of discussion and the sorrows.

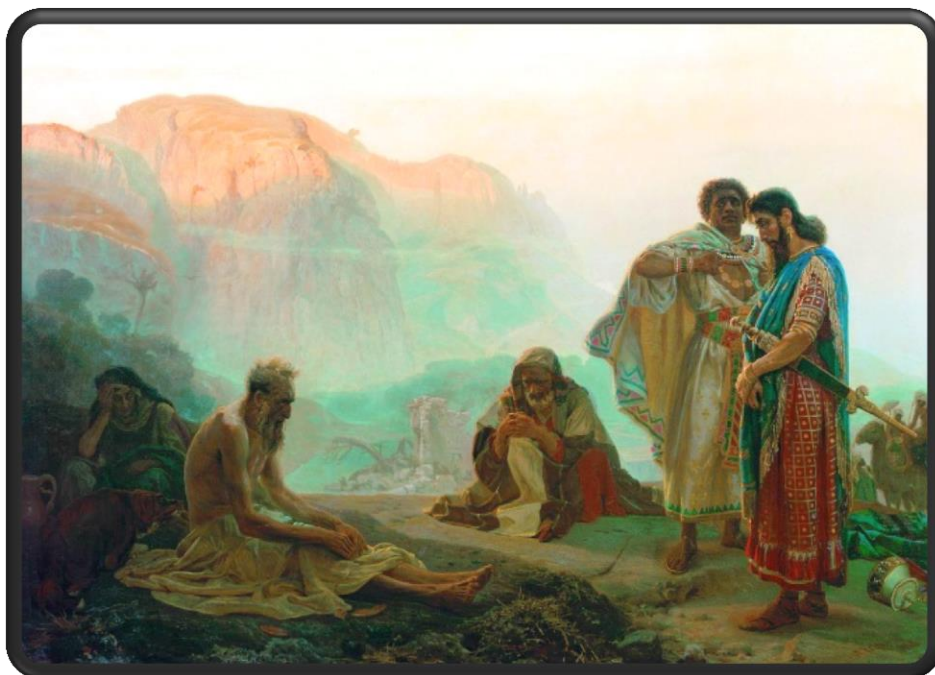
JThey blamed him by saying that he was in those trails and the sorrows due to his sins and the mistakes in the life. They do not know that he was in the testing by the God. They also told him that God humbling him through these trails and the sorrows.

Job friends do not know the reason for his trails and sorrows. They thought that they are good friends to him. They advised in the worldly way. There is a saying for the friendship in the scriptures

“Do not be deceived: "Bad company corrupts good morals" - 1 Corinthians 15:33

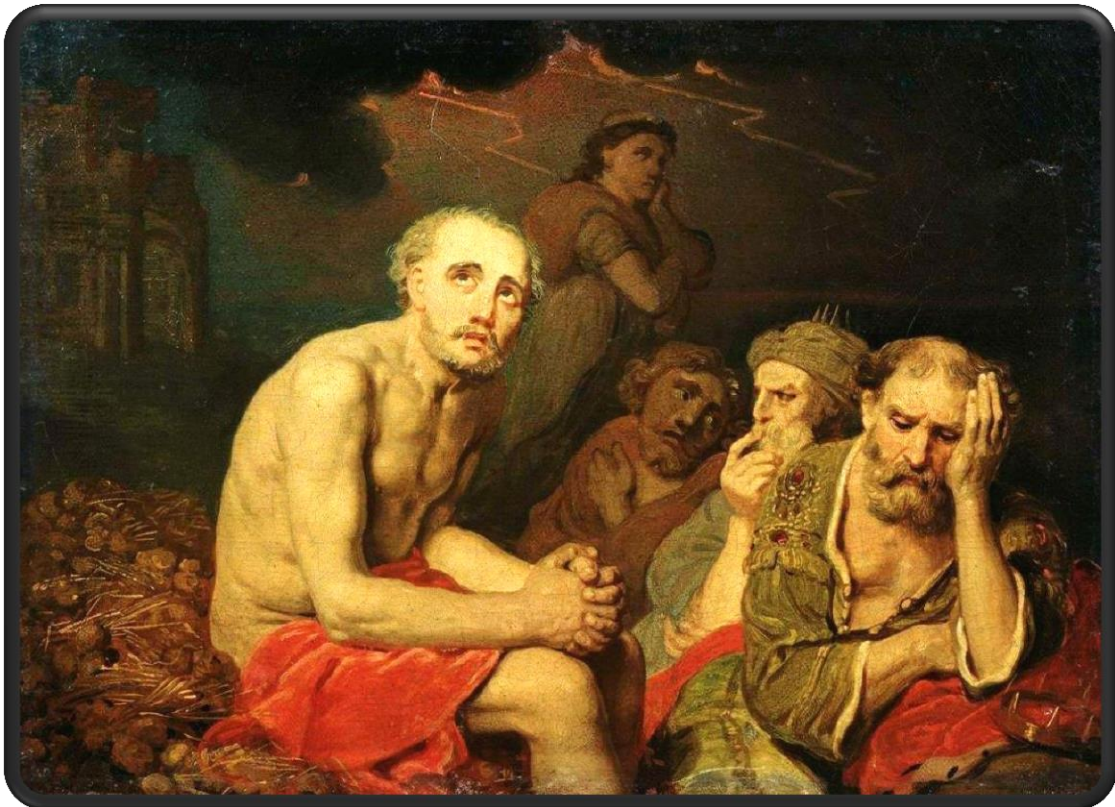
There is some saying for the friends.

“Show me your friend, I will tell what you are”



Here the Job's friends are without the knowledge of the God. They advised him in the worldly way. Coming to the Godly way, they accused him, by saying that his sins dragged him to that situation.

Coming to my life, I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal savior in the year 1972. By that time I use to have many worldly friends. We use to meet every day and spend time talking useless things and all kinds of nonsense. When I accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior, automatically I left all the worldly friends. I can say Jesus Christ is my one and only friend.



God spoke to Job and restores him

God knows that Job's wife and friends gave the wrong guidance. God knows that they spoke with the evil knowledge to direct Job to the wrong paths to commit things against God. They do not know the plans of God. God spoke to Job in many ways.

"Have you understood the expanse of the earth? Tell Me, if you know all this"



"Lord spoke to Job out of the storm. He said: Who is this that obscures my plans with words without knowledge? Have you journeyed to the springs of the sea or walked in the recesses of the deep? Have the gates of death been shown to you? Have you seen the gates of the deepest darkness? Have you comprehended the vast expanses of the earth? Tell me, if you know all this"

"Do you know when the mountain goats give birth? Do you watch when the doe bears her fawn? Do you count the months till they bear? Do you know the time they give birth?"

"Will the one who contends with the Almighty correct him? Let him who accuses God answer him". God spoke to Job every time to restore him. He spoke the things which man cannot imagine or understand. Job realized the knowledge of God. Every word of God has its own effect on him.

Job replied to the Lord



“I am unworthy—how can I reply to you? I put my hand over my mouth” – Job 40:2

“I know that you can do all things; no purpose of yours can be thwarted. You asked, who is this that obscures my plans without knowledge? Surely I spoke of things I did not understand, things too wonderful for me to know. You said, Listen now, and I will speak; I will question you, and you shall answer me. My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you. Therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes” – Job 42:1 – 6

Job realized his foolishness in his talk and admitted to God that he was nothing. He also felt sorry for his words and kept his mouth in the ashes. Sometimes we also talk like Job without having any sense. Sometime we talk more in that area. It is the tendency of human to balm the God for their mistakes. We can learn from Job to take U turn and humble ourselves in front of God. When we humble ourselves in front of God, that was the time we will receive every blessing from God.

God then blessed Job with twice

“After the Lord had said these things to Job, he said to Eliphaz the Temanite, “I am angry with you and your two friends, because you have not spoken the truth about me, as my servant Job has. So now take seven bulls and seven rams and go to my servant Job and sacrifice a burnt offering for yourselves. My servant Job will pray for you, and I will accept his prayer and not deal with you according to your folly. You have not spoken the truth about me, as my servant Job has. So Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar the Naamathite did what the Lord told them; and the Lord accepted Job’s prayer. After Job had prayed for his friends, the Lord restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before. 11 All his brothers and sisters and everyone who had known him before came and ate with him in his house. They comforted and consoled him over all the trouble the Lord had brought on him, and each one gave him a piece of silver[k] and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter part of Job’s life more than the former part. He had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen and a thousand donkeys. And he also had seven sons and three daughters. The first daughter he named Jemimah, the second Keziah and the third Keren-Happuch. Nowhere in all the land were there found women as beautiful as Job’s daughters, and their father granted them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this, Job lived a hundred and forty years; he saw his children and their children to the fourth generation. And so Job died, an old man and full of years”

Job 42: 7 – 17

The result of the trails and the sorrows of Job, led him to the blessings. No one can see the sorrows of Job, but they see the success of Job. God blessed him twice that what all he had.

The sorrows are facing are nothing in front of the glory that we are going to receive.

Job was the best example to the mankind to stand in the trials and sorrows. Every punishment looks hard, but it leads to blessing.

“No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it” - Hebrews 12:11



David



Hated by Brother's

“When Eliab, David's oldest brother, heard him speaking with the men, he burned with anger at him and asked, why have you come down here? And with whom did you leave those few sheep in the wilderness? I know how conceited you are and how wicked your heart is; you came down only to watch the battle” - 1 Samuel 17:28

David was hated by his brothers. We can see this kind of things in the Bible history.
D**The chosen people were hated by the brothers, some were killed some were face all kinds of evil things. The fact here was the jealousy. When anybody has the jealousy on someone, it leads to any kind of the evil action towards the other person. David was the chosen one, which made the brothers to do evil to him.**

Coming to my life I had enough experiences like that. One of my brothers did a great harm to me and to the ministry. As he was the leader in the church, he got the hold with the people. He used all the influence to destroy me and the ministry. He encouraged the Hindu leaders and the politicians to attack me. One of the political leaders used her influence with the people and the police to stop our church worship at the mission school. She gave the mass attack by the people and the police. Dragged us to the courts stand as the victims. My own brother was behind that lady and the other evil people. We faced the temporary problem through those evil people. But God helped us and turned that evil attack as the blessing for the growth of the ministry. The result for this evil action, that politician was removed from the positions and lost everything. We are not happy for that, she reaped what she has done to the church. The sad part here was the main role of my brother in this evil act.



Saul tries to kill David



“Saul told his son Jonathan and all the attendants to kill David. But Jonathan had taken a great liking to David and warned him, my father Saul is looking for a chance to kill you. Be on your guard tomorrow morning; go into hiding and stay there. I will go out and stand with my father in the field where you are. I’ll speak to him about you and will tell you what I find out. Jonathan spoke well of David to Saul his father and said to him, Let not the king do wrong to his servant David; he has not wronged you, and what he has done has benefited you greatly. He took his life in his hands when he killed the Philistine. The Lord won a great victory for all Israel, and you saw it and were glad. Why then would you do wrong to an innocent man like David by killing him for no reason? Saul listened to Jonathan and took this oath: “As surely as the Lord lives, David will not be put to death. So Jonathan called David and told him the whole conversation. He brought him to Saul, and David was with Saul as before. Once more war broke out, and David went out and fought the Philistines. He struck them with such force that they fled before him. But an evil spirit from the Lord came on Saul as he was sitting in his house with his spear in his hand. While David was playing the lyre, Saul tried to pin him to the wall with his spear, but

David eluded him as Saul drove the spear into the wall. That night David made good his escape. Saul sent men to David's house to watch it and to kill him in the morning. But Michal, David's wife, warned him, if you don't run for your life tonight, tomorrow you'll be killed. So Michal let David down through a window, and he fled and escaped. 13 Then Michal took an idol and laid it on the bed, covering it with a garment and putting some goats' hair at the head. When Saul sent the men to capture David, Michal said, He is ill. Then Saul sent the men back to see David and told them, "Bring him up to me in his bed so that I may kill him. But when the men entered, there was the idol in the bed, and at the head was some goats' hair. Saul said to Michal, Why did you deceive me like this and send my enemy away so that he escaped? Michal told him, He said to me, Let me get away. Why should I kill you? When David had fled and made his escape, he went to Samuel at Ramah and told him all that Saul had done to him. Then he and Samuel went to Naioth and stayed there. Word came to Saul: David is in Naioth at Ramah; so he sent men to capture him. But when they saw a group of prophets prophesying, with Samuel standing there as their leader, the Spirit of God came on Saul's men, and they also prophesied. Saul was told about it, and he sent more men, and they prophesied too. Saul sent men a third time, and they also prophesied. Finally, he himself left for Ramah and went to the great cistern at Seku. And he asked, Where are Samuel and David? Over in Naioth at Ramah," they said. So Saul went to Naioth at Ramah. But the Spirit of God came even on him, and he walked along prophesying until he came to Naioth. He stripped off his garments, and he too prophesied in Samuel's presence. He lay naked all that day and all that night. This is why people say, Is Saul also among the prophets?"- 1 Samuel 19

Saul was anointed as the king, when he was nothing. Scriptures revealed that Saul was made as the king when he was small in his own eyes.

"Samuel said, "Although you were once small in your own eyes, did you not become the head of the tribes of Israel? The LORD anointed you king over Israel" - 1 Samuel 15:17

This was the problem with the mankind. They do not allow the others come up in their lives. When God chose the Saul as the king when was nothing, he must know that God also make someone as the king after him. The problem with Saul was to continue as the king all of the life time. Scriptures are very clear in this matter.

**“For riches are not for ever; and doth the crown endure to every generation?” -
Proverbs 27:24**

This is what happening in these days. Everyone wants to build their kingdoms on the face of Earth. For that they snub the other persons. This was happening in the churches and also in the society. The reason was the POWER.

Coming to my life, I was in the Baptist church for thirty eight years. They never allowed me to come up in the ministry. The reason was that I was anointed and have the call for the ministry. In the years 1980, I was blessed with an opportunity to hold the National Youth Conference through a big organization. That was with big budget sponsor by the same organization. The stall wards of the city with the leadership of a professor attacked me and did all kinds of evil to stop me. They were unable to stop me as I was in the plans of God. We will see many Saul in the churches and the society. When we try to do evil to other, we will face the evil.

Sorrows as the father

“A messenger came and told David, The hearts of the people of Israel are with Absalom. Then David said to all his officials who were with him in Jerusalem, Come! We must flee, or none of us will escape from Absalom. We must leave immediately, or he will move quickly to overtake us and bring ruin on us and put the city to the sword. The king’s officials answered him, Your servants are ready to do whatever our lord the king chooses. The king set out, with his entire household following him; but he left ten concubines to take care of the palace. So the king set out, with all the people following him, and they halted at the edge of the city. All his men marched past him, along with all the Kerethites and Pelethites; and all the six hundred Gittites who had accompanied him from Gath marched before the king. The king said to Ittai the Gittite, Why should you come along with us? Go back and stay with King Absalom. You are a foreigner, an exile from your homeland. You came only yesterday. And today shall I make you wander about with us, when I do not know where I am going? Go back, and take your people with you. May the Lord show you kindness and faithfulness. But Ittai replied to the king, as surely as the Lord lives, and as my lord the king lives, wherever my lord the king may be, whether it means life or death, there will your servant be. David said to Ittai, “Go ahead, march on. So Ittai the Gittite marched on with all his men and the families that were with him. The whole countryside wept aloud as all the people passed by. The king also crossed the Kidron Valley, and all the people moved on toward the wilderness. Zadok was there, too, and all the Levites who were with him were carrying the ark of the covenant of God. They set down the ark of God, and Abiathar offered sacrifices until all the people had finished leaving the city. Then the king said to Zadok, “Take the ark of God back into the city. If I find favor in the Lord’s eyes, he will bring me back and let me see it and his dwelling place again. But if he says, I am not pleased with you, then I am ready; let him do to me whatever seems good to him. The king also said to Zadok the priest, Do you understand? Go back to the city with my blessing. Take your son Animas with you, and also Abiathar’s son Jonathan. You and Abiathar return with your two sons. I will wait at the fords in the wilderness until word comes from you to inform me. So Zadok and Abiathar took the ark of God back to Jerusalem and stayed there. But David continued up the Mount of Olives, weeping as he went; his head was covered and he was barefoot. All the people with him covered their heads too and were

weeping as they went up. Now David had been told, Ahithophel is among the conspirators with Absalom. So David prayed, Lord, turn Ahithophel's counsel into foolishness. When David arrived at the summit, where people used to worship God, Hushai the Arkite was there to meet him, his robe torn and dust on his head. David said to him, "If you go with me, you will be a burden to me. But if you return to the city and say to Absalom, Your Majesty, I will be your servant; I was your father's servant in the past, but now I will be your servant, then you can help me by frustrating Ahithophel's advice. Won't the priests Zadok and Abiathar be there with you? Tell them anything you hear in the king's palace. Their two sons, Ahimaaz son of Zadok and Jonathan son of Abiathar, are there with them. Send them to me with anything you hear. So Hushai, David's confidant, arrived at Jerusalem as Absalom was entering the city -2 Samuel 15:13-37



David faced the great attack through the son Absalom. We can say he was the evil son. He took the power on his own and tried to kill father. David loves the son very much.

He tried to run away from the situations. This kind of situations makes the fathers very much pain. I have seen some sons who were beaten the father. The scriptures are very clear in this matter. Children must honor the parents.

**“Honor your father and mother” --which is the first commandment with a promise” -
Ephesians 6:2**

**“Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your
God is giving you” - Exodus 20:12**

I have seen many sons who died in the middle age due to not bothering the parents. I know senior pastor, who had the pain in the spirit through his son. Unfortunately the son was also the pastor, who was in the ministry. One fine day the son died on the road in the car accident.

Children must be aware of these truths and honor parents to leave peacefully on the face of the earth for the long time life that God has given.

Samuel anoints David

“The Lord said to Samuel, “How long are you going to grieve over Saul? I have rejected him as king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and get going. I’m sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem because I have found my next king among his sons. How can I do that?” Samuel asked. When Saul hears of it he’ll kill me. Take a heifer with you, the Lord replied, and say, I have come to make a sacrifice to the Lord. Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will make clear to you what you should do. You will anoint for me the person I point out to you. Samuel did what the Lord instructed. When he came to Bethlehem, the city elders came to meet him. They were shaking with fear. Do you come in peace? They asked. Yes, Samuel answered. I’ve come to make a sacrifice to the Lord. Now make yourselves holy, and then come with me to the sacrifice. Samuel made Jesse and his sons holy and invited them to the sacrifice as well. When they arrived, Samuel looked at Eliab and thought, That must be the Lord’s anointed right in front. But the Lord said to Samuel, “Have no regard for his appearance or stature, because I haven’t selected him. God doesn’t look at things like humans do. Humans see only what is visible to the eyes, but the Lord sees into the heart. Next Jesse called for Abinadab, who presented himself to Samuel, but he said, The Lord hasn’t chosen this one either. So Jesse presented Shammah, but Samuel said, No, the Lord hasn’t chosen this one. Jesse presented seven of his sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord hasn’t picked any of these. Then Samuel asked Jesse, “Is that all of your boys? There is still the youngest one,” Jesse answered, but he’s out keeping the sheep. Send for him, Samuel told Jesse, because we can’t proceed until he gets here. So Jesse sent and brought him in. He was reddish brown, had beautiful eyes, and was good-looking. The Lord said, That’s the one. Go anoint him. So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him right there in front of his brothers. The Lord’s spirit came over David from that point forward. Then Samuel left and went to Ramah” - 1 Samuel 16:1-13



David was anointed when he was the child. If we go through the scriptures, God did this kind of things in the generations to generations. God chose the people when they were in the womb of the mother.

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations” - Jeremiah 1:5

“This is what the LORD says-- he who made you, who formed you in the womb, and who will help you: Do not be afraid, Jacob, my servant, Jeshurun, whom I have chosen” - Isaiah 44:2

“But when God, who set me apart from my mother's womb and called me by his grace, was pleased” - Galatians 1:15

It was the blessing to David to be anointed as the king when was the young boy. The same way God also chose the people for the ministry. It was happened in my life also. Prophecy was given to me when I was the six day's boy, which I will become the great servant of God in the future That prophecy was fulfilled in my life.

David Becomes King Over Israel

“All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, “We are your own flesh and blood. In the past, while Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel on their military campaigns. And the Lord said to you, you will shepherd my people Israel, and you will become their ruler. When all the elders of Israel had come to King David at Hebron, the king made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel. David was thirty years old when he became king, and he reigned forty years. In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and in Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years” - 2 Samuel 5:1 – 5



David Conquers Jerusalem

“The king and his men marched to Jerusalem to attack the Jebusites, who lived there. The Jebusites said to David, You will not get in here; even the blind and the lame can ward you off. They thought, David cannot get in here. Nevertheless, David captured the fortress of Zion which is the City of David. On that day David had said, anyone who conquers the Jebusites will have to use the water shaft to reach those lame and blind’ who are David’s enemies. That is why they say, the blind and lame’ will not enter the palace. David then took up residence in the fortress and called it the City of David. He built up the area around it, from the terraces inward. And he became more and more powerful, because the Lord God Almighty was with him. Now Hiram king of Tyre sent envoys to David, along with cedar logs and carpenters and stonemasons, and they built a palace for David. Then David knew that the Lord had established him as king over Israel and had exalted his kingdom for the sake of his people Israel. After he left Hebron, David took more concubines and wives in Jerusalem, and more sons and daughters were born to him. These are the names of the children born to him there: Shammua, Shobab, Nathan, Solomon, Ibhar, Elishua, Nepheg, Japhia, 16Elishama, Eliada and Eliphelet” - 2 Samuel 5:6 – 16



David defeats the Philistines

“When the Philistines heard that David had been anointed king over Israel, they went up in full force to search for him, but David heard about it and went down to the stronghold. Now the Philistines had come and spread out in the Valley of Rephaim; so David inquired of the Lord, Shall I go and attack the Philistines? Will you deliver them into my hands? The Lord answered him, Go, for I will surely deliver the Philistines into your hands. So David went to Baal Perazim, and there he defeated them. He said, As waters break out, the Lord has broken out against my enemies before me. So that place was called Baal Perazim. The Philistines abandoned their idols there, and David and his men carried them off. Once more the Philistines came up and spread out in the Valley of Rephaim; so David inquired of the Lord, and he answered, do not go straight up, but circle around behind them and attack them in front of the poplar trees. As soon as you hear the sound of marching in the tops of the poplar trees, move quickly, because that will mean the Lord has gone out in front of you to strike the Philistine army. So David did as the Lord commanded him, and he struck down the Philistines all the way from Gibeon to Gezer” 2 Samuel 5:17 – 25



The sorrows of David's life made him as the king with the victories life. Comparing to the childhood day, it was the great blessing. A Shepard boy became the great king.

This happened in my life also. I was from very poor background. I lived in the thatched house, where we don't have the electricity. I did all my studies till ten plus two with kerosene lamps. I never expected this present life with all facilities.

God lifted me up from all the sorrows and gave the successful life for His glory.

St. Paul



Saul's (Paul) Conversion

“Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord’s disciples. He went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, “Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? “Who are you, Lord?” Saul asked. “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,” he replied. “Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do.” The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything. In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him

in a vision, “Ananias” “Yes, Lord,” he answered. The Lord told him, “Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight.” “Lord,” Ananias answered, “I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem. And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name.” But the Lord said to Ananias, “Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. I will show him how much he must suffer for my name.”

Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul’s eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength” - Acts 9:1-19



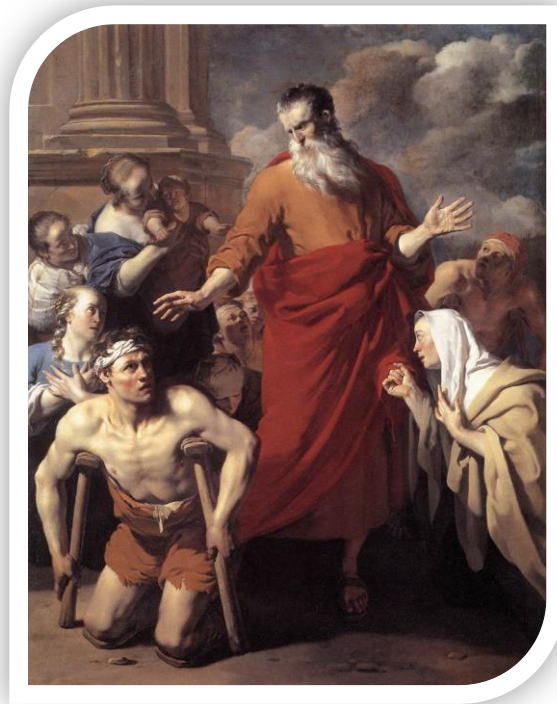
Saul’s (Paul) was the orthodox religious leader, who dedicated to prosecute the Christians and the church. With this spirit he was on the way to Damascus, God encountered him for the great conversion. That made him as the servant Christ.

Call of Paul

**“Paul, an apostle, not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father,
who raised him from the dead” - Galatians 1:1**

**“Though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea,
woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel” - 1 Corinthians 9:16**

**“Rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make
thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things
in the which I will appear unto thee” – Acts 26:16**

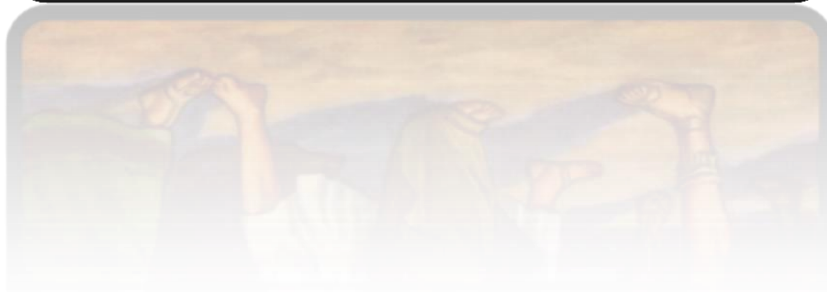
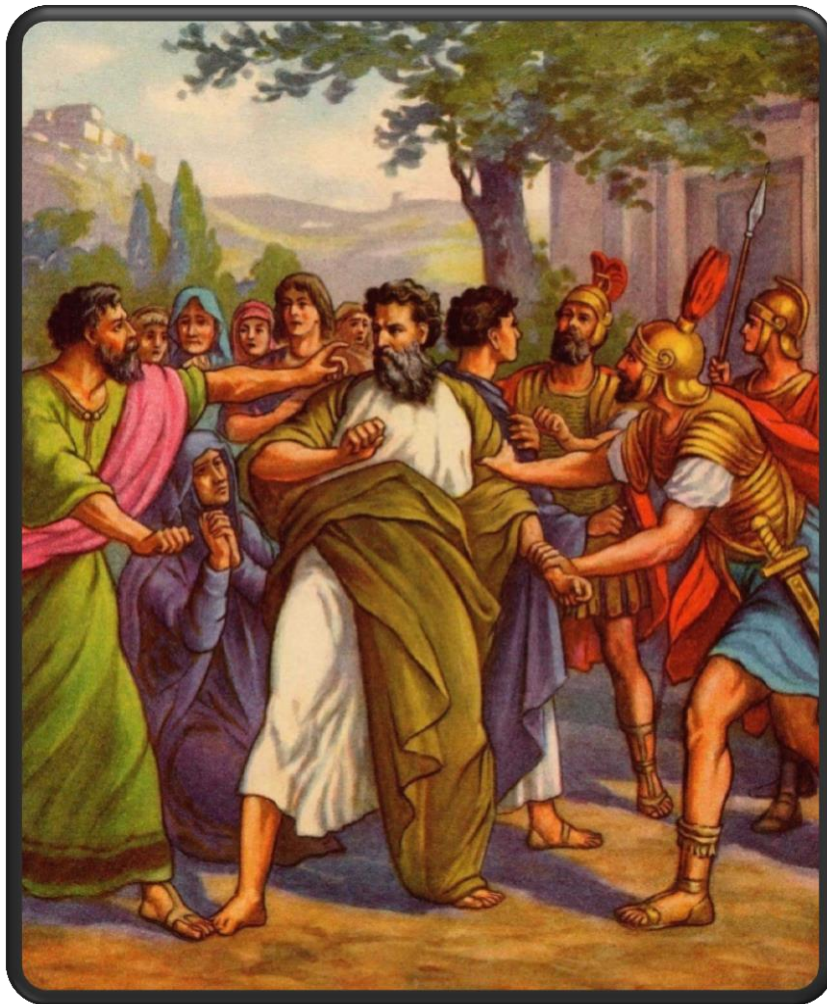


**He got the specific call for the ministry. When some got the specific call in the ministry,
God uses them in the dynamic way for His glory. That’s what we see here in the Paul’s life.**

Sorrows in the Ministry

“Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was pelted with stones, three times I was shipwrecked, I spent a night and a day in the open sea” - 2 Corinthians 11:25

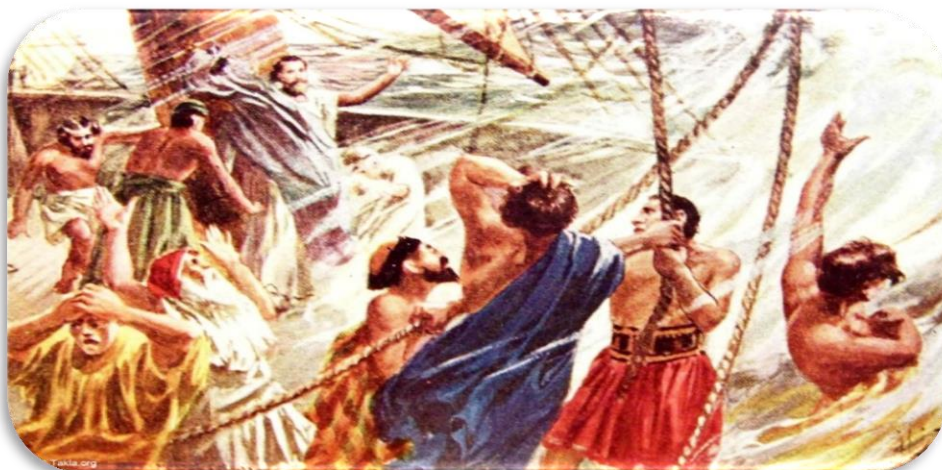
“I have been constantly on the move. I have been in danger from rivers, in danger from bandits, in danger from my fellow Jews, in danger from Gentiles; in danger in the city, in danger in the country, in danger at sea; and in danger from false believers” - 2 Corinthians 11:26



The Storm

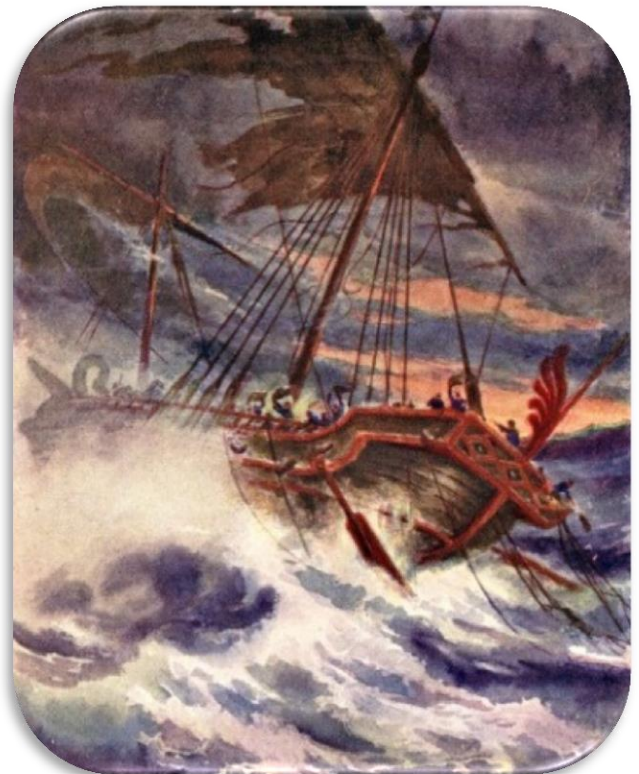
“When a gentle south wind began to blow, they saw their opportunity; so they weighed anchor and sailed along the shore of Crete. Before very long, a wind of hurricane force, called the Northeaster, swept down from the island. The ship was caught by the storm and could not head into the wind; so we gave way to it and were driven along. As we passed to the lee of a small island called Cauda, we were hardly able to make the lifeboat secure, so the men hoisted it aboard. Then they passed ropes under the ship itself to hold it together. Because they were afraid they would run aground on the sandbars of Syrtis, they lowered the sea anchor[c] and let the ship be driven along. We took such a violent battering from the storm that the next day they began to throw the cargo overboard. On the third day, they threw the ship’s tackle overboard with their own hands. When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days and the storm continued raging, we finally gave up all hope of being saved. After they had gone a long time without food, Paul stood up before them and said: “Men, you should have taken my advice not to sail from Crete; then you would have spared yourselves this damage and loss. But now I urge you to keep up your courage, because not one of you will be lost; only the ship will be destroyed. Last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me and said, ‘Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you.’ So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will happen just as he told me. Nevertheless, we must run aground on some island” – Acts 27:

13 - 26



The Shipwreck

“On the fourteenth night we were still being driven across the Adriatic Sea, when about midnight the sailors sensed they were approaching land. They took soundings and found that the water was a hundred and twenty feet[e] deep. A short time later they took soundings again and found it was ninety feet deep. Fearing that we would be dashed against the rocks, they dropped four anchors from the stern and prayed for daylight. In an attempt to escape from the ship, the sailors let the lifeboat down into the sea, pretending they were going to lower some anchors from the bow. Then Paul said to the centurion and the soldiers, “Unless these men stay with the ship, you cannot be saved.” So the soldiers cut the ropes that held the lifeboat and let it drift away. Just before dawn Paul urged them all to eat. “For the last fourteen days,” he said, “you have been in constant suspense and have gone without food—you haven’t eaten anything. Now I urge you to take some food. You need it to survive. Not one of you will lose a single hair from his head.” After he said this, he took some bread and gave thanks to God in front of them all. Then he broke it and began to eat. They were all encouraged and ate some food themselves. Altogether there were 276 of us on board. When they had eaten as much as they wanted, they lightened the ship by throwing the grain into the sea. When daylight came, they did not recognize the land, but they saw a bay with a sandy beach, where they decided to run the ship aground if they could. Cutting loose the anchors, they left them in the sea and at the same time untied the ropes that held the rudders. Then they hoisted the foresail to the wind and made for the beach. But the ship struck a sandbar and ran aground. The bow stuck fast and would not move, and the stern was broken to pieces by the pounding of the surf. The soldiers planned to kill the prisoners to prevent any of them from swimming away and escaping. But the centurion wanted to spare Paul’s



life and kept them from carrying out their plan. He ordered those who could swim to jump overboard first and get to land. The rest were to get there on planks or on other pieces of the ship. In this way everyone reached land safely” – Acts 27: 27 – 44

Paul Ashore on Malta

“Once safely on shore, we found out that the island was called Malta. The islanders showed us unusual kindness. They built a fire and welcomed us all because it was raining and cold. Paul gathered a pile of brushwood and, as he put it on the fire, a viper, driven out by the heat, fastened itself on his hand. When the islanders saw the snake hanging from his hand, they said to each other, “This man must be a murderer; for though he escaped from the sea, the goddess Justice has not allowed him to live.” But Paul shook the snake off into the fire and suffered no ill effects. The people expected him to swell up or suddenly fall dead; but after waiting a long time and seeing nothing unusual happen to him, they changed their minds and said he was a god. There was an estate nearby that belonged to Publius, the chief official of the island. He welcomed us to his home and showed us generous hospitality for three days. His father was sick in bed, suffering from fever and dysentery. Paul went in to see him and, after prayer, placed his hands on him and healed him. When this had happened, the rest of the sick on the island came and were cured. They honored us in many ways; and when we were ready to sail, they furnished us with the supplies we needed” - Acts 28:1 – 10

Paul faced all kinds of the trails and the sorrows in the ministry. In his missionary journeys, he was fall in the great troubles. Storm problems, food problems, snake problems, evil people problem, beaten for nothing. He was kept in the prison for nothing. What else we can say, he was in the all kinds of trails. Those sorrows made him strong for the ministry. in these kind of experiences he mentioned this word for the self-encouragement and also to the co-workers.

“In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted” - 2 Timothy 3:12



Success in the Ministry

**“For though you have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet have you not many fathers:
for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel” - 1 Corinthians 4:15**

**If I be not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you: for the seal of my apostleship are
you in the Lord” - 1 Corinthians 9:2**

**“Therefore whether it were I or they, so we preach, and so you believed” - 1 Corinthians
15:11**

“You are our letter written in our hearts, known and read of all men” - 2 Corinthians 3:2

**“Truly the signs of an apostle were worked among you in all patience, in signs, and
wonders, and mighty deeds” - 2 Corinthians 12:12**

**“Though he was crucified through weakness, yet he lives by the power of God. For we also
are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you” - 2
Corinthians 13:4**

**“Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run
in vain, neither labored in vain” - Philippians 2:16**

**“Our gospel came not to you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in
much assurance; as you know what manner of men we were among you for your sake” - 1
Thessalonians 1:5**

**“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth
there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will
award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing” -
2 Timothy 4:7-8**

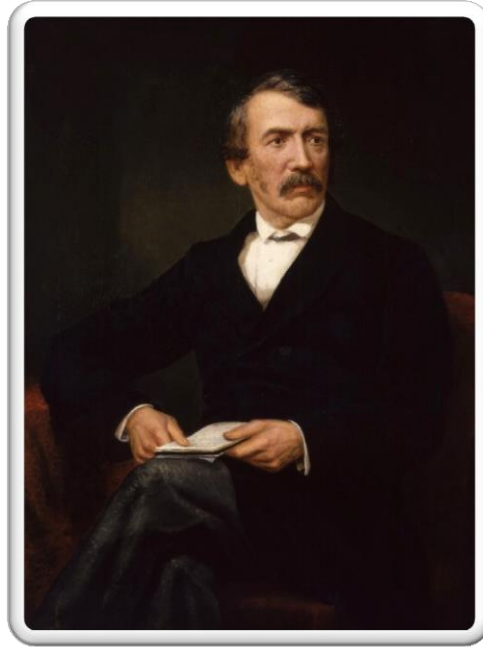
Paul did the successful ministry through the sorrows in the life. There was a saying **P**“No pain, NO gain” when we prepare to face the trials and the sorrows in the ministry, we will the glory.

Coming to my life I was gone through all kinds of the trials and the sorrows. I stood in of those troubles by the grace of our living God. That made me to enjoy the success in the ministry. I am still facing the troubles; I believe that God will help me to continue the wide ministry to stand as the successful minster.



Sorrows behind the Success of Great Men of God

David Livingston, 1813 – 1873



David Livingstone was a Scottish Congregationalist pioneer medical missionary with the London Missionary Society and an explorer in Africa. Who was born on March 19, 1813, Blantyre, United Kingdom, and died on May 1, 1873, Zambia

His sayings

“I will place no value on anything I have or may possess except in relation to the kingdom of Christ”

“I am prepared to go anywhere, provided it be forward”

“Nothing earthly will make me give up my work in despair”

Livingstone was the Missionary to the Dark Continent. He was dedicated to own the continent of Africa for Jesus. He was the medical missionary. He Knew the People, Soon after he reached Africa he spent six months among the natives. The People also knew Him. Livingstone always exerted a peculiar influence over the natives. Before he had been in Africa a year, his gentleness of heart, his real love of the people, and his fearless manner, had so won them that he was able to do what to others was impossible. His Preaching Simple. Livingstone was in the habit of preaching at every opportunity. His favorite themes were, "The Abounding Love of Christ," "The Real Fatherhood of God," "The Glories of the Resurrection," "The Last Judgment." His preaching was simple, straightforward, illustrative, and effective. Knowing the people. He never "preached over their heads." He got the right motive. Livingstone would not be drawn into that subtle snare of the tempter, the desire to make a good report for the edification of the Church at home. He did not strive for nominal adherents. He did the fruitful ministry. His great care in admitting to the Church only those whom he believed to be the children of God, yet just a year after he went to the field he wrote to his father: "The work of God goes on here notwithstanding all our infirmities. Souls are gathered in continually. He married Mary Moffat, the daughter of Robert Moffat, the great missionary. "The young couple spent their first year at Mabotsa, where besides a good house, schools, and church, Livingstone had made an excellent garden. Later on he was blessed with a daughter. When the days are passing Livingstone found that his infant daughter had become the victim of an epidemic then raging. After burying his child, he turned his steps northward and westward. He thought to send the wife and the children to the England for the safety and protected life. His previous experience

had convinced Livingstone that he must not again take his wife and children into this fever-stricken country

He has decided to stay in Africa, and not to go back to England. There is just one answer. He had promised his native helpers that if they would journey with him to the coast, he would see them back to their homes. "His word to the black men of Africa was just as sacred as it would have been if pledged to the Queen. He kept it as faithfully as an oath made to Almighty God "Death of His Wife In discovering this new river, Livingstone also found the last resting-place of his wife. Difficult as it was to nerve him-self for effort, Livingstone would not permit this great grief to hinder the work which he had set out to do.



David Livingstone's Family

Untold Hardships of the Journey

It was well for Livingstone that he was buoyed up by a great purpose. His other journeys were child's play in comparison with the hardships of this. Again and again his strength utterly failed. Soon after starting he lost his medicine chest. "I am excessively weak, and cannot walk without tottering, and have constant singing in the head ... After I had been here for a few days I had a fit of insensibility, which shows the power of fever without medicine"

Half Starved

He was compelled to eat the roots of trees and the hard maize found in that region. So poorly nourished was he that his teeth fell out, and he became so emaciated that he himself was frightened when he saw his form reflected.

Physical Sufferings

Fallen trees and flooded rivers made marching a perpetual struggle. For the first time Livingstone's feet failed him. Instead of healing, as hitherto, when torn by hard travel, irritating sores fastened upon them.

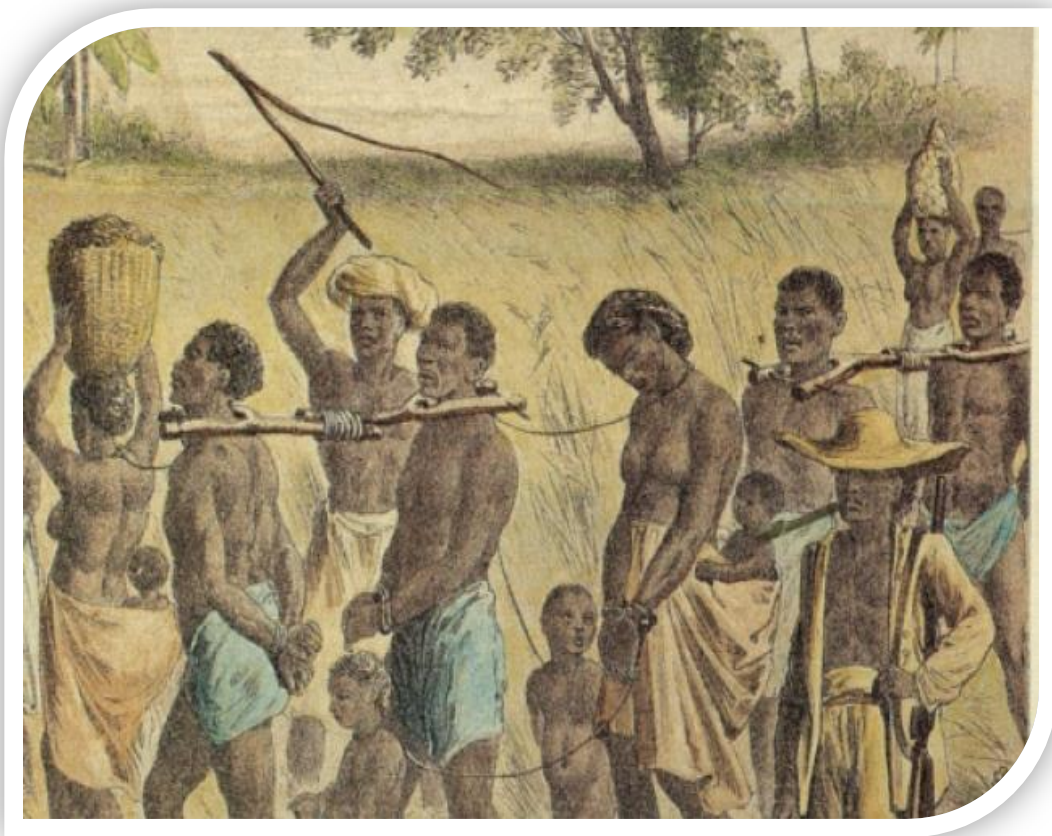
Loneliness

Probably no human being was ever in circumstances parallel to those in which Livingstone now stood. Years had passed since he had heard from home. The sound of his mother tongue came to him only in the broken sentences of Chuma or Susi or his other attendants,

or in the echoes of his own voice as he poured it out in prayer, or in some cry of homesickness that could not be kept in.

Horrors of the Slave-Trade

One bright summer morning, July 15th, when fifteen hundred people, chiefly women, were engaged peacefully in marketing in a village on the banks of the Lualaba, and while Dr. Livingstone was sauntering about, a murderous fire was opened on the people, and a massacre ensued of such measureless atrocity that he could describe it only by saying that it gave him the impression of being in hell.



His Life Was In Danger

On the 8th of August they came to an ambush all prepared; but it had been abandoned for some unknown reason. By and by, on the same day, a large spear flew past Livingstone, grazing his neck. The native who flung it was but ten yards off. The hand of God alone saved his life.

Lost to the Outer World

He was totally disconnected from the out world. For years Livingstone received no letters from the home land, and the letters which he sent were nearly all destroyed by the Portuguese. Of forty letters from the home land, thirty-nine were lost by the slaves who had been sent up from the coast. He don't know what's happening in the other side.

Sustained by an Unseen Power

He was sustained by the power of God in all situations. So this lonely man, in his dull hut, was riveted to the well-worn book, ever finding it a greater treasure as he goes along, and fain, when he has reached the last page, to turn back again and gather up more of the riches which he has left upon the road. The closing scenes of this great man's life were a fit climax to his career. The greatest anxiety had been occasioned in England by conflicting rumors concerning Livingstone's death. In 1867 the Royal Geographical Society organized an expedition which reached Africa in July of the same year, and in a steel boat, The Search, ascended the river to Nyassa, and learned from the natives there that Livingstone was still alive, although they did not find Livingstone himself.

He was Left Alone: On March 14th, the day Stanley and Livingstone parted company, the former made the following entry in his diary: My days seem to have been spent in an Elysian field.

The Last Days

The last sad journey of Livingstone was heavy with pain and sorrow. Through all the weary months of travel and hardship the Great Spirit rose to sublime heights, and Scotch pluck smiled at impossibilities. Nothing earthly will make him give up the work in despair. I encourage himself in the Lord my God, and go forward. In the beginning of April the internal bleeding from which he had been suffering became more copious, and his weakness was pitiful; yet he longed for strength to finish his work. So weak was he that he had to be carried on a palanquin. The pains were excruciating, and still this man went forward, crossing rivers and splashing through swamps. On the 29th of April, at evening, he reached Chitambo's village at Ilala. A drizzling rain was falling. The carriers were compelled to put Livingstone under the broad eaves of a house until a new hut could be prepared. On the thirtieth day of April the great man lay, with his body spent, but his mind going out to "the regions beyond." On the 1st of May, 1873, at four o'clock in the morning, the boy who lay at the door called for Susi. In alarm they gathered the other attendants together, and looked in at the door of the hut. By the light of the candle still burning they saw Livingstone, not in bed, as they had left him, but kneeling in prayer at the bedside. His head was buried in his hands upon the pillow. At the farthest point in his journey, with no attendant, the tired form fell gently forward, the soul went out to its Maker, and the body remained in the attitude of prayer.

The great man of God died for the continent of Africa. He faced the trails and the sorrows to bring the Dark Continent for Jesus. The Africans relished that they lost the great man who led them to Christ. The Africans want bury David Livingstone at Africa. But the England what to bury him at England after the long negotiations, they came to an agreement to bury the heart of David Livingstone at Africa and the body at England.

The emperor said like this at the time of his burial “David Livingston was the Living Stone”

He was the great man of God who was buried in the two places, one at Africa (The heart of David Livingston) another at England (The body of Livingston).



**David Livingstone's Memorial in Africa,
Where his heart was buried**



**David Livingstone's Memorial in England,
Where his body was buried (above picture)**



David Livingstone's Wife Tomb

Richard Wurmbrand, 1909 - 2001



Richard Wurmbrand was a Romanian Christian minister of Jewish descent. He was born in the month of March on 24th day, in the year 1909, Bucharest, Romania.

He was a youth during a time of anti-Semitic activity in Romania, but it was in 1948.

In the year 1958 he became the Christian. He was died in the month of February on 17th day, in the year of 2001, Glendale, California, America. He founded organizations named as “Voice of the Martyrs”. Richard Wurmbrand was an evangelical minister. He was kept in the prison around fourteen years and harassed badly for the sake of the Christ Jesus. He was beaten and faced the trails at his own place where he lives. He was basically from the Jewish background. His personal life and trails he faced for the Christ spread around the world in all communities. He became known to all people through his testimony carrying for the Christ. When Romania captured by the communists, they acted very badly on the Christians. They captured all the church buildings and used them for their military

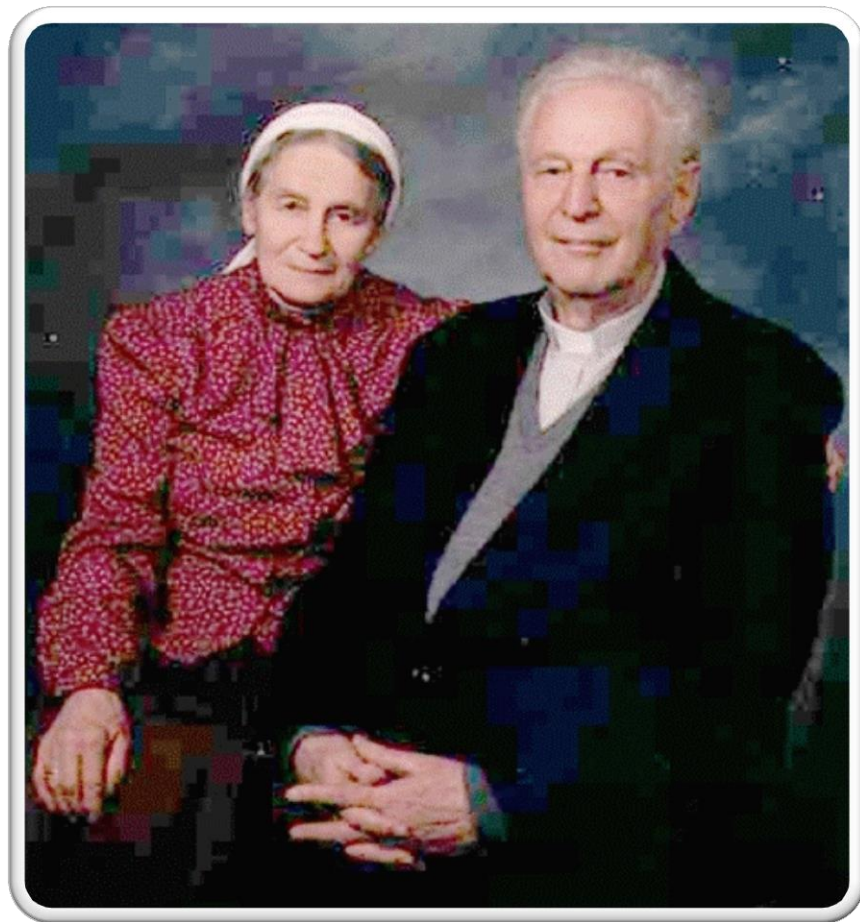
purpose. Richard Wurmbrand started to evangelize the enslaved people protecting from the Russian soldiers. As he was the Messianic Jew, the international Messianic Jewish community asked the Communist government about his safety. He was released from the prison. Christians in Norway negotiated with the Communist authorities for his release from Romania. In the other side his name was gone around the world through the newspapers. He was testified in Washington before the Senate's Internal Security Subcommittee and stripped to the waist and showed eighteen deep torture wounds covering his body. This was led his story to carried across the world newspapers in the America. He was called as the “Voice of the Underground Church”. He wrote books of his testimony the trails he faced in the prison. Those books were printed in around fifty languages around the world.



**The wounds of Richard
Wurmbrand**



God gave me the great privilege to meet the great man of God in person. He came to our city. We conducted large meetings. He shared all of his experiences in the prison, all the city were blessed by seeing this great man of God. His preaching's and expertness has touched the hearts of the people. This great man of God had the sorrows behind his success.



Richard Wurmbrand With his wife

Pandita Ramabai, 1858 - 1922



Pandita Ramabai was an Indian social reformer, a champion for the emancipation of women, and a pioneer in education. She acquired a reputation as a Sanskrit scholar.

She was born in the month of April on the day of 23rd, in the year 1858, Karnataka, India. She died in the month of April on the day of 5th, in the year 1922, Bombay, India. She founded an organization named as the “Mukti mission”

Birth of Pandita Ramabai

Pandita Ramabai was born in the month of April on the day of 23rd, in the year 1858 in Canara district, it is now in Karnataka. She belongs to Mala Kattemane Dongare Family. Her father, Anant Shastri, was an intellectual Brahmin, who from his study of Hindu texts, believed that women should be educated.

Education and Books



er father taught Ramabai to read and write Sanskrit, as well as how to interpret
H Vedic texts. By the age of twelve, Ramabai had memorized 18,000 verses from the
Puranas. Besides Sanskrit, Ramabai learned the Marathi, Kanarese, Hindustani,
and Bengali languages. She wrote many books including her popular *The High-Caste
Indian Woman*, which showed the troubles of child wives and women in India.

Death of parents and continue the Mission

When her parents were died in the year 1877her brother decided to continue their father's work. She and her brother traveled all over India. Ramabai's fame as a lecturer reached Calcutta, where the pandits invited her to speak. Calcutta University conferred on her the title of Pandita, as well as the highest title of Saraswati in recognition of her interpretations of various Sanskrit works in the year 1878. The theistic reformer Keshab Chandra Sen gave her a copy of the Vedas, the most sacred of all Hindu literature, and encouraged her to read them.

Husband and daughter



Her brother was died in the year 1880.PanditaRamabai married Bengali lawyer named Bipin Behari Medhvi. Theywere blessed with a daughter whom they named Mano.

Better the status for women in India

Pandita Ramabai resolved to spend her life attempting to better the status of women in India. She studied and discussed issues which surround Indian women, especially Hindu traditions. She spoke against the practice of child marriage and the resulting constraints on the lives of child widows.

Women's Education and Deliverance from Oppression

After Medhvi's death, Ramabai moved to Pune where she founded "AryaMahilaSamaj" which is Sanskrit for Noble Women's Society. The purpose of the society was to promote the cause of women's education and deliverance from the oppression of child marriage. When in 1882 a commission was appointed by Government of India to look into education. Pandita Ramabai gave evidence before it. In an address to Lord Ripon's Education Commission, she declared with fervor, in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred the educated men of this country are opposed to female education and the proper position of women. If they observe the slightest fault, they magnify the grain of mustard-seed into a mountain, and try to ruin the character of a woman.



Women's Medical Movement

She suggested that teachers be trained and women school inspectors be appointed. Further, she said that as the situation in India was that women's conditions were such that women could only medically treat them. Indian women should be admitted to medical colleges. Pandita Ramabai's evidence created a great sensation and reached Queen Victoria. It bore fruit later in starting of the Women's Medical Movement.

Received the vision in England

Pandita Ramabai received a scholarship to train as a teacher in England in the year 1883. During her time there she converted to Christianity and joined the Anglican Church. She developed a more clear vision at this time for what would become her future ministry in India. She dreamed of founding schools in India that combined education and industry. She also realized the need for Kindergarten school in India.

Promoted child and widows work in America

Pandita Ramabai was invited to America so she intently studied the kindergarten systems in America in the year 1886. When she returned to India, she started homes for the destitute and Christian churches. Ramabai combined her Christian ideals with her Indian culture to promote change in India. She also lectured across America for three years on the plight of women and child widows in India; and when the Ramabai Foundation was formed in America to collect funds for her projects in India.

Started home-cum-schools in India

It was there that an association was formed to fund her school for child widows. She had started a home-cum-school in Bombay, which she named as Sharda Sadan in the year 1889. This was the first home for widows in Maharashtra. Another home was in Bengal.

Mukti Sadan in Poona

Ramabai moved to Poona, name changed to Mukti Sadan. When they were hit by the 1900 famine, Ramabai and her helpers were able to rescue several hundred women. According to Man Mohan Kaur there were as many as 1900 people in the Sadan. A school was organized. 400 children were accommodated in the Kindergarten, A training school for teachers was also opened and an Industrial School with gardens, fields, oil press, dairy, laundry, ovens, etc. It also taught sewing, weaving, and embroidery.



Worked among the condemned women



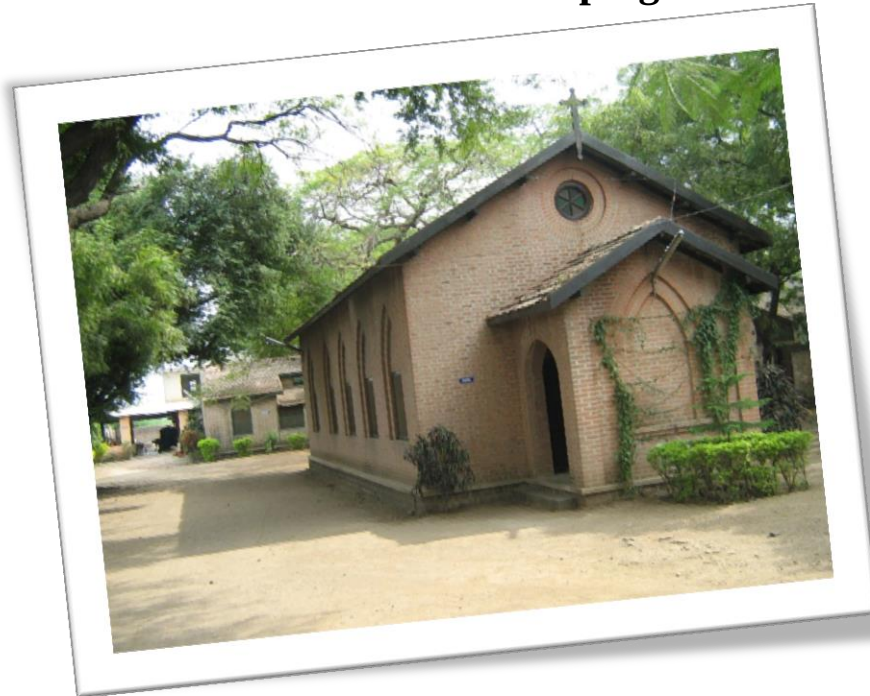
Later on, she traveled extensively to see for herself the plight of many young women and widows condemned to life as temple prostitutes in Northern India. In a lecture given in June 1882, she pronounced, Men look on us women as chattels: we make every effort to deliver ourselves from this situation. But some will say that this is a rebellion against man, and that to do this is sin. To leave men's evil acts un rebuked and remain unmoved before them is a great sin."

Mukti Mission



amabai established the Mukti Mission in Pune in the year 1889, as a refuge and a Gospel witness for young widows deserted and abused by their families. She also established Krupa Sadan, a home for "fallen" women, who had been cast out of society. Ramabai also started 'Sharda Sadan', which also provided housing, education, vocational training and medical services for many needy groups including widows, orphans and the blind. In Sanskrit and most Indian languages Mukti means liberation. In her spotless widow's white.

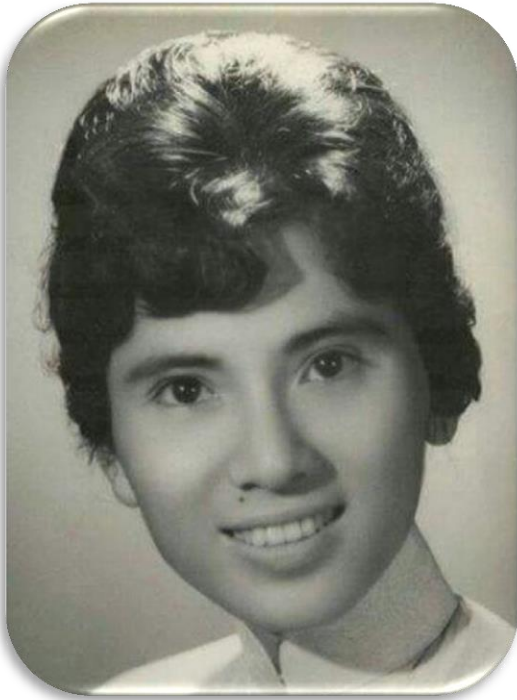
Church at Mukti and helping hand



Pandita Ramabai most often arose before 4:00 A.M. and worked until half past eight at night. By 1900 there were 1,500 residents and over a hundred cattle in the Mukti mission and she was also involved in establishing a Church at Mukti. The Pandita Ramabai Mukti Mission is still active today, providing housing, education, vocational training, and medical services, for many needy groups including widows, orphans, and the blind.

Pandita Ramabai worked among the needy people like widows, orphan children, temple prostitutes, opposed the child marriages, worked for the women education and the employment. She was adopted the projects to make people self-employment. As she accepted the Christ the personal savior, she did every work biblically. She started the church at Mukti. The missions she started running till today with an effectively even after 93 years. The pains she gave to the mission made her success. Through the sorrows we can see the fruits of the success.

Mother Teresa, 1910 – 1997



Mother Teresa was born Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu commonly. Her full name was Anjezë Gonxhe Bojaxhiu. Known as Mother Teresa was an Albanian-born. By birth she was an Albanian. As she lived all the life time in India, she became the citizen of India. She was the Roman Catholic nun. She was born in the month of August on the day of 26th, in the year 1910, Skopje, Macedonia. She was died in the month of September on the day of 5th, in the year 1997, Kolkata, India. She got the following awards: Nobel Peace Prize, Bharat Ratna; Order of the Smile. Mother Teresa was fluent in five languages: Bengali, Albanian, Serbian, English, and Hindi. At the time of her death, Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity had over 4,000 sisters, and an associated brotherhood of 300 members, operating 610 missions in 123 countries.

Some of Her sayings

“If you judge people, you have no time to love them”

“Peace begins with a smile”

“If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other”

“We are showing the love of God in action”



Mother House in Kolkata

other Teresa experienced what she later described as the call within the call. While

Mshe was travelling by train to the Loreto convent in Darjeeling from Calcutta for her annual retreat in the year 1946, she was to leave the convent and help the poor while living among them. Sister Teresa had just become Mother Teresa. She began her missionary work with the poor in 1948, replacing her traditional Loreto habit with a simple white cotton sari decorated with a blue border. Mother Teresa adopted Indian citizenship, spent a few months in Patna to receive a basic medical training in the Holy Family Hospital and then ventured out into the slums. Initially, she started a school in Motijhil at Calcutta. As soon as she started tending to the needs of the destitute and starving. In the beginning of 1949, she was joined in her effort by a group of young women and laid the foundations to create a new religious community helping the "poorest among the poor". Her efforts quickly caught the attention of Indian officials, including the prime minister, who expressed his appreciation. It began as a small congregation with 13 members in Calcutta; by 1997 it had grown to more than 4,000 sisters running orphanages, AIDS hospices and charity centers worldwide, and caring for refugees, the blind, disabled, aged, alcoholics, the poor and homeless, and victims of floods, epidemics, and famine.

Teresa's Home for the Dying



Mother Teresa opened the first Home for the Dying in space made available by the City of Calcutta in the year 1952. With the help of Indian officials she converted an abandoned Hindu temple into the Kalighat Home for the Dying, a free hospice for the poor. She renamed it Kalighat, the Home of the Pure Heart. Those brought to the home received medical attention and were afforded the opportunity to die with dignity, according to the rituals of their faith; Muslims were read the Quran, Hindus received water from the Ganges, and Catholics received the Last Rites. “A beautiful death”

Leprosy home

Mother Teresa soon opened a home for those suffering from the leprosy, and called the hospice Shanti Nagar as the City of Peace. They use to clean the leprosy wounds and do the dressing with the bandages by applying the needed ointments. The Missionaries of Charity also established several leprosy outreach clinics throughout Calcutta, providing medication, bandages and food for the people who are suffering with the disease.

Nirmala Shishu Bhavan



Missionaries of Charity took in increasing numbers of lost children Mother Teresa felt the need to create a home for them. In year 1955 she opened the Nirmala Shishu Bhavan, the Children's Home of the Immaculate Heart, as a haven for orphans and homeless youth.

Missions around the Globe

Mother Teresa was operating 517 missions in more than 100 countries. Over the years, Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity grew from twelve to thousands serving the "poorest of the poor" in 450 centers around the world. The first Missionaries of Charity home in the United States was established in the South Bronx, New York; at the time of 1984 the congregation operated 19 establishments throughout the country.

Declining Health and Death

Mother Teresa suffered a heart attack in Rome in 1983 while visiting Pope John Paul II. After a second attack in 1989, she received an artificial pacemaker. In 1991, after a battle with pneumonia while in Mexico, she suffered further heart problems. She offered to resign her position as head of the Missionaries of Charity, but the sisters of the congregation, in a secret ballot, voted for her to stay. Mother Teresa agreed to continue her work as head of the congregation.

Mother Teresa fell and broke her collar bone in the year 1996. She suffered from malaria and failure of the left heart ventricle. She had heart surgery but it was clear that her health was declining. The Archbishop of Calcutta, Henry Sebastian D'Souza, said he ordered a priest to perform an exorcism on Mother Teresa with her permission when she was first hospitalized with cardiac problems because he thought she may be under attack by the devil.

She stepped down from the head of Missionaries of Charity in the year 1997. She died on 5 September 1997.

Government of India honored her burial by granting the State funeral for the wonderful services to the Indian citizens irrespective of the cast and creed and the poor. Every country in the world paid their tribute to her. Most of the countries sent their representatives for the funeral. Indian government declared the public holiday on the day of funeral. Every Indian home felt that they lost some in their females. That's how the Indians loved Mother Teresa. She was the successful woman. If we go back and see the sorrows she faced, those are great. The sorrows are uncountable, but the success made her to overlook all the sorrows. She was honored by the people and the God.



Sorrows behind the Success from Personal Life

This book was really an inspiration to me. During the writing this book, most of the time I was in tears. The way the Bible hero's struggled to go for the successful life. The sorrows they were gone through made so emotional in the spirit. Jacob's life was really had the impact on me. I know one pastor in my life, he is no more. He is now at the presence of living God. He did the great work for the reaching people with the Gospel. He did it in the wider way. He gave his time and the money with body for the mission works. When we see the family, his children had broken his heart by the evil attitudes. While he was alive, he saw the falling of the children in the spiritual life. His wife played the major role for the family destruction. I saw the Jacob's life in his life. When Jacob met the King Pharaoh, the first question he asked, what's your age? Jacob can tell straightly that was I was in the year hundred and thirty. He did not say like that. He was expressed the sorrows of full life in a simple word. When I preach on this subject any time in my life, made me to cry at the pulpit itself.

“Pharaoh said unto Jacob, How old art thou? And Jacob said unto Pharaoh, The days of the years of my pilgrimage are an hundred and thirty years: few and evil have the days of the years of my life been, and have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage” - Genesis 47:8-9

I can tell that I was also gone through these kinds of the sorrows in my life. May not be the same as the Jacob faced, but I had enough experiences to say. I had mentioned most of those experiences in my first book; “Journey of Life” let us see some more here in this book also.

Childhood

As my mother was happened to be Bible woman, she trained me from the childhood itself to pray and present Jesus to the others. I use to do the gospel books and the leaflets to the public in the streets and on the roads. I use to do this work myself and also with the team. In that little age I use to preach to the non-Christians with my little knowledge. Sorrows for what, we use to live in the thatched house, that house also having no doors. Dogs or any other people can enter into the house without knocking door, as there were no doors. I use to have sorrow regarding the good house. I got the habit of keeping the environments clean from the childhood. I believe that God gave me the very good house worth of US\$ 500,000, It's three stories with four bed rooms. The sorrow regarding the house came to the success through the good house.

I use to attend to an elementary school where I use to sit on the floor in the class room. When I see the rich people children studying in the best English medium schools, I use to have the sorrow in my heart, why don't we have this opportunity? God fulfilled my desire by keep my begotten son in the best English medium school where the middle class people also enter there. Parents must be the graduates to get the admission for the child in that school. God turned my sorrow to the success in the area.

In my childhood I use to have just two dresses, when I had one on body, use to wash the next one to where in the next day. That was the sorrow as the child. God turned that sorrow for success by providing the very costly branded cloths in these days. As I know the need of clothes, I give the new and used cloths to the needed people in these days.

Coming to the food, my mother cooks the food and keeps in a wooden box for the safety. If she forget any time to keep the food in that wooden box, the dogs use to eat food. Coming to the curries, my mother use make just one curry if she make the egg curry, we were not in position to eat full egg. My mother use to make the egg into four pieces and give one piece to me. I use keep that piece in plate at one corner, by watching that piece, I use to eat the food. Food means it's just boiled white rice. God turned that sorrow into the success by giving the good food in these days. God blessed me in the stage to pay US\$ 25 for one meal. As I know this sorrow, I help the people who are in the need of food. They need not be our church members. I don't want to see someone with me, having no food. God gave the heart feed the needy, that making me to get for myself. I believe the scripture, "Give you will get"

"Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you" - Luke 6:38

When I sat at Sunday school among the children, I use to watch the leader keenly, and thought to become like him one fine day. It says from the childhood I have the desires of grow up into the better positions. God made those sorrows feeling to the success by making me the senior Pastor and head for the large organization.

Youth Stage

was the average student, Studied in the Government school. Same feelings like the **I** childhood, why I am unable to study in the private English medium schools? I love English, but there was no possibility to study in the English medium schools due to the poverty. Not having the good cloths and the other facilities like the rich boys.

Coming to the finance, my father was not in the position to give the pocket money to me. What all he gives was the very little money, not enough for anything. When the other children buy the eatables in the break time, I use to watch like hungry dog towards them. God turned that sorrow into the richness. In these days, I help the needy youth. It is not for the church members only I also help other young people by knowing their need of finance. Some young people use to cry when I help them, when questioned them, what for you are crying? Then they give strange reply, Pastor how do you know our need? in the year 2000 I met one great man of God in the America, he studied me well and said in there church itself on one fine Sunday, Dr.Pasala was poor, we will make him rich” He made it true in my life. What all I have now is only though that great man of God? I still owe to him with my whole heart and soul.

As I was ordinary boy, my friends who are already in the good position due to their parents position in the society. Such friends use to humble me a lot with their teasing words. I use to feel in my heart to come up in the life and show to them that what God did in my life for the glory of God I can tell, those youth are just nothing in front of me now; God elevated me in such a way for His Glory. I can say boldly, I am nothing even in this stage, but God made me something in the world. After God, as I said in the past, the great man of God did

his best to me to grow to this position. I have the gratitude towards him; I am owed to him throughout my life. God use some people to help you. Do not lose people with your foolishness in any time. Losing people is very easy, but to get people is very difficult. God made every sorrow through the friends to success in the life.

God made me as the youth leader in my mother church. God also made me as the leader in the city in the youth stage. God used me in and around city for His glory. You can see those details in my book “Journey of Life” God blessed me to conduct the large crusades in the city by inviting the international speakers. At one stage, if any big meeting going in the city, that was through me it was great honor given by the living God in the great discouragements through the senior leaders of the city, God made me to stand in the higher places for His glory. God made every sorrow area of these fields to the success in my life.

God blessed me with a Godly woman as the wife. By that time of my marriage she was the B.A, Bed, a trained teacher. I was just tenth grade. People use to make fun of me that I was not educated and also less than my wife. I use to preach even in that stage in the other side working in the Ship Yard for the livelihood. Most of the people use to mock at me that I was illiterate both in the secular and the theologically. I took it as the challenge and did my lone study, did my B.Th., D, D, M.A, and D.D. I did my twenty one years of education. God gave me the command on the theological and secular education. In my first visits to America, that where I helped them as the pastor for seven years, they conducted the public meetings. I was the speaker for those meetings. They printed a pamphlet by keeping my picture to post in every area of that town. The interesting thing in that pamphlet was that they mentioned like this, a highly educated Pastor from India will speaks to us. That made

me very happy. The illiterates I have faced towards the education made me sad and sorrow. God turned that sorrow in the success by giving the higher education with honor.

Adult stage

The great sorrow in my life was that I was neglected Pastor. My own people use to ignore me and not allowing other to encourage me in any means. The sad part in my life was that my own people did recognize me as the Pastor that I took as the challenge in the spirit to prove myself that I was in the chosen person who was in the great plans of God. My own people tried their best to snub me. In other words they were tried to destroy me in every area of my life. In those days one of our own man called me in phone and told me that he want see me and wife with son to beg on the roads. His desire was to see us as the beggars on road. In reply for that I told him that will bless you a lot, I told him further; whatever the ways we want become in our lives, expect the same for the others. That was the reason I want him to flourish a lot in his life. This sorrow in my life was turned me to the great life where others cannot reach. God kept me in the position to do help to the others. God made every sorrow of this area made success for His glory.

I travelled around the globe and within the country, by sharing the word of God with my testimony. In very trip I had the better experiences. In my visit to Singapore, I lost my baggage in the flight. I attend a conference there. That was the twenty one days conference. Those people paid all of expenses there including the air fare but in that bag I lost all of cloths and the other belongings. That was the real sorrow for me in that situation. The Singapore government was least bother about my baggage and for the remuneration. I

really fought in the Godly way with them. After ten days they paid the remuneration around US\$2,500. It was really big money. Hardly had I lost the goods worth of US\$ 25. God gave me more than what I have lost. God turned that sorrow in to success with great blessing.

Ministry

In the ministry there were many sorrows all times. There are no ending for the sorrows in the ministry. When we started the ministry with fifteen members, with hard work it gowned up to five hundred. We trained one young man as the evangelist in those days. He was not educated with poor background. Once he was trained and giving the privilege to preach during my presence to encourage him in the ministry. When he learned well, that was the turning point for him to rebel on me to split the church. He took few people with him and started his own church with ten people. That made me sorrow. Now that Pastor became the drunker and unable to continue the ministry the encouragement and the success here was, that how many left the church, the same number and more were getting adding to the church. I can say there was success in that sorrow.

All these twenty two years of the church ministry, we had many sorrows regarding the venue to hold the church services. Ten years we had the church services at mission schools. Another ten years at one Government community hall. One year at another Government community hall. Now at a leased building with the air-condition, having the three services on Sunday. In all those sorrows God led us to the best place today. He made the sorrow to the success by giving the A/C church building. In India A/C church is not possible to everyone.

All these year we were facing the Judases in the ministry. Around four groups let the church in this journey till now; they started their own ministries and fall. They were unable to run successfully due to their evil attitudes. The Judas ministry was continuing till now. Recently one young man and one couple rebelled. The one young man was honored a lot in the church by giving opportunity to lead the choir. He misused that opportunity and felt himself as the senior Pastor. He started his own ministry by stealing our church members. Couple who left our church also is with that young man's ministry. The strange thing here to notice, every time ten people left the church, God is adding twenty people to the church. Another important thing here to notice, for us for anyone who faces this kind of sorrows, that those who left the church will through the blames and meaningless accusations on the pastor. As the pastors we can restore their evilness, but the innocent people will listens their evil talk and believe with our any thinking. God will deal those evil people, but church will face some percentage of damage for time being. They will reap the consequences in the future, but the damage they did was the damage.

“Alexander the metalworker did me a great deal of harm. The Lord will repay him for what he has done” - 2 Timothy 4:14

We need not worry about the people who did damage to us. They will definitely reap the consequences in the due course. All the people who attacked us faced the same blames in the worst way we need to pray for their salvation and bless all times when you pray.

In these sorrows God encourage us through the development of the church both in the number and spirit. In all of our pursuers, God was there with us to turn the sorrows to the success. I can say we will have success in Jesus in very situation.

When we love to see the success in the life, we must know there were the sorrows behind that. There was a saying. “Rome cannot build in a day” it says with lot of hard work and long time with many sorrows it came to the shape. Many people try to choose the short cuts to grow fast in their lives. Short cut always makes someone’s life short. As the scriptures says with lot of pains mother gives birth to the child.

“Before she goes into labor, she gives birth; before the pains come upon her, she delivers a son” - Isaiah 66:7

There is saying “No pains, No gain” your sorrows will give the fruits of the success. Do not discourage in the sorrows, they will make the way for your success. This book definitely helps you to see the success in your life.

God bless you!



Final word

Do not discourage in the sorrows, they will make the way for your success. This book definitely helps you to see the success in your life. Sometimes we may not see the success on the face of the earth. The success on the face of earth was temporary, but the success in heaven will be the permanent stands for ever. If you go through the scriptures you will see that.

“Who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. Women received back their dead, raised to life again. There were others who were tortured, refusing to be released so that they might gain an even better resurrection. Some faced jeers and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were put to death by stoning; they were sawed in two; they were killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, living in caves and in holes in the ground. These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised” - Hebrews 11:33-39

In the great trails and the sorrows they declared the following statement

“This world was not worthy of them”

God bless you



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